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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 25TH, 1911.

In the speech made by H.E. the GOVERNOR on the subject of the "Liquor Duties," at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday, the hint was conveyed that the Government may have to impose some new tax on the community at no distant date. The liquor duties have not so far yielded as much as was anticipated. A revenue of six lakhs of dollars from this source in the first year was deemed a conservative estimate, and for the current year it was expected that \$725,000 would be collected. It turns out that in the first year the revenue from liquor duties was not more than \$387,788, and when from this sum we deduct the cost of collection and the twenty per cent. which has to be paid to the Imperial Government as a contribution towards the cost of military defence, a net sum of 2½ lakhs is all that the tax yields. It is, of course, probable that the duties will yield a very much larger sum in the current year, because stocks imported in anticipation of the duties must be exhausted, or very nearly so. If that hope is not realised "we shall either have to face a deficit at the end of the year," His EXCELLENCY said, "or we shall have to impose some new tax." When the Consolidating Ordinance just introduced is discussed in Committee it appears that one point for consideration will be whether it is possible or not to continue the rebate to the military and naval authorities. A little public information regarding this rebate

would, we believe, be welcome. We are not sure that the decision to allow this rebate has been very widely approved. So far as we know it, public opinion supports the view expressed in Council by the Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON that in all Imperial matters the Imperial Government should pay. We pay, what the Hon. Mr. HERRITT at the time described as an unnecessarily large military contribution, and no additional burden in this respect ought to be thrown upon the Colony. As we understand the matter, the liquor consumed in the canteens pays the full duty, but the amount of this duty is subsequently remitted and "divided according to rank." So far as the officers are concerned, it can hardly be contended that they are less able to afford the excise duty on their liquors than are civilian consumers, and there is no evidence that the soldier or sailor has to pay more for his beer here than he has elsewhere. Beer is as cheap in Hongkong as it is in England. Apart from this, there is an aspect of the question on which a public statement might perhaps be made with some advantage; that is as to whether the duty collected in respect of liquor consumed by the officers and men of the Army and Navy counts for military contribution, and if so, whether the amount paid as military contribution is deducted from the rebate. We make this suggestion because we have received a communication from a taxpayer who assumes that the military contribution is paid on this sum. "I do not know," he says, "what is the actual amount paid by the Naval and Military authorities as excise duty on liquors consumed, but will assume for the purpose of illustration that it is \$50,000 a year. Now if this sum counts as revenue for the purposes of the military contribution and is then returned in full, the Colony, for simply collecting the duty and handing it back again to the military authorities, will have been mulcted in a sum of \$10,000 plus the costs of collection." This would be a pretty tale if true, but the truth of the matter is that our correspondent has discovered a mare's-nest. We are sure he will be relieved to know that the Government is guilty of doing nothing so foolish. Though the suggestion seemed too incredible to entertain for one moment, we made inquiries and were authoritatively informed that the revenue collected from the naval and military authorities in respect of liquor duties is not included in the revenue on which the military contribution is paid. It is, however, true that a proportionate amount of the costs of collection is not deducted from the rebate. On the general question, if there were any really substantial grounds for this discrimination between civilian and soldier, or sailor, we are quite sure there would be no murmur of dissent, but, as it is, the arguments in favour of the civilian element being taxed in order to cheapen the cost of liquor to the Services really do not appeal strongly to the taxpayer who considers the matter—especially when he knows that in taxing him for this purpose the Government has to bear in mind that it must raise over and above the amount of the rebate, a further twenty per cent. as a military contribution from this revenue. That is to say, if the rebate amounts to \$50,000, the civil community must provide \$60,000. As we pointed out yesterday, the more the local Government taxes the community, the larger becomes the sum exacted by the Imperial authorities as a military contribution. In the circumstances we do not see how the Services can reasonably ask the civil community to bear the amount of this rebate and a further twenty per cent. for being so generous.

Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank are reminded that the meeting takes place at the City Hall at noon to-day.

Last night it was decided to hold a "Lady-smith" dinner at the Grand Hotel on Monday night.

For returning from banishment a Chinese was at the Magistracy yesterday sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours in the stocks.

The Christian Union meeting at Rutherford Hall, St. Stephen's College, at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, will be conducted by Rev. A. H. McKENZIE.

Captain Sir John Keane, Bart., of Cappoquin House, Cappoquin, Sir Henry Baker's well-remembered Private Secretary, has been appointed High Sheriff for the County of Waterford.

Dividend warrants of 30 per cent. (equivalent to 30 cents per share) on the shares of the Bulgonie Rubber Estates Co., Limited, being the second interim dividend for the year ending 31st March, 1911 have been issued. This together, with the first interim dividend of 40 per cent on 1st July 1910, makes the total of interim dividends paid this year 70 per cent.

The fourteenth change of programme submitted by The Follies last night attracted a numerous audience and it goes without saying that the large house enjoyed to the full the excellent entertainment provided. The first part of the programme, while following the usual lines, was varied and proved of the usual high order. The two potted plays "Girls of Gothenburg" and "King of Cadonia" were very acceptable additions and proved most mirth provoking. The burlesque of "The Voice Trial" was rightly described as the *piece de resistance*. It was extremely amusing and kept the audience in roars of laughter.

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A fine of \$20 or one month's imprisonment was meted out to a Chinese yesterday who had been convicted of throwing stones at a policeman.

Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday sentenced a Chinese to fourteen days' imprisonment and four hours' exposure in the stocks for stealing fish from the Canton Steamboat wharf. As the coolies were carrying off the fish in baskets the defendant ran after them and helped himself to some of the fish.

That begging is fairly profitable in Hongkong was illustrated by the case this week of a mendicant who when arrested for begging offered a bribe of two dollars to the European Policeman, and who was found to have over \$40 in his possession. Yesterday another Chinese beggar was ordered by the Magistrate to pay a fine of \$5, and the money was promptly forthcoming in subsidiary coinage.

The American National Red Cross Society, as the usual agency of the United States Government in such matters, is placing at the disposal of the Chinese Government Dr. Richard P. Strong, Ph.B., M.D., Chief of the Biological Laboratory, Bureau of Science, Philippine Government; Professor of Tropical Medicine, University of the Philippines; late surgeon, Medical Corps United States Army.

A "reported" armed robbery, said to have taken place in the early hours of yesterday morning at Hungghom, is engaging the attention of the police. It is stated that six men, one armed with a revolver, entered a godown and breaking open the main door took away two cases of dynamite, the value of which was \$62, and six boxes of detonators, which are worth \$13 each, besides some clothing belonging to the custodian of the godown.

Rubber is now the rage in Indo-China, but climatic conditions restrict Para to the Southern provinces. Ficus, on the other hand, thrives both there and in the North. From Saigon to Quinhon, Para grows admirably. North of Quinhon the climate is too cold. Ficus grows even near the forest line on the hills of Upper Tonkin. In the South, some planters grow both Para and Ficus. They hold that Ficus is better, because it is indigenous and more suited to both soil and climate.

We are given to understand, says the *Peking Daily News*, that telegrams containing the most friendly of sentiments have been exchanged between His Highness the Prince Regent and His Majesty the Emperor of Germany on account of the inability of the Crown Prince to visit Peking. His Highness the Crown Prince has also telegraphed to His Majesty the Emperor of China direct from Calcutta, expressing his regrets and disappointment in having to abandon his visit to China.

Another of the many tricks of the "wily Chinese" was told to the Magistracy yesterday when a coolie was charged with wilfully damaging a ricksha. He was seen to wilfully slash with a knife the cushion of a ricksha which was standing outside a certain house, and when caught he admitted that he did the damage in the hope that the ricksha coolie in charge might be accused of damaging the ricksha and would consequently be dismissed, the defendant hoping to get his job. He was fined \$20 and also ordered to pay \$2.50 compensation.

We are informed that Mr. Van Den Born, the celebrated Belgian aviator, will arrive in the Colony on Monday next, bringing with him three aeroplanes, and will forthwith proceed to Canton to make arrangements for a meeting there, which it is expected will take place during the second week in March. Messrs. Arnall & Company have obtained the necessary permission from the Viceroy. Mr. Van Den Born was the aviator who recently made successful flights at Bangkok. No doubt a number of Hongkong residents will avail themselves of week-end facilities to visit Canton and see the aviator in the air.

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We are informed by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., the General Agents, that at a meeting of the consulting committee of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., held yesterday, it was decided to recommend to shareholders at the forthcoming annual meeting that a final dividend of 85 per share should be declared (making 10 per cent. for the year), \$80,000 passed to credit of Equalization of Dividend Fund and \$22,730.30 carried forward to next account.

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GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.

PEKING, February 24th.

A decided all round improvement is daily reported with regard to the plague. The deaths reported to-day are two at Fuchien, eighteen at Mukden, thirty-five at Kuangchengtze, fifteen at Harbin, and one at Tientsin. The reports from Shantung are vague but they suggest improvement.

[REUTERS SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."]

MORE P. AND O. INTERMED-
IATE STEAMERS.

London, February 22nd.

The P. and O. Company has ordered two 7,000-ton steamers of the "Nile" type which are designed for the intermediate service to India, China and Japan without transhipment.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

London, February 22nd.

A sundry Civil Appropriation Bill providing 45½ million dollars toward the construction and three millions for the Panama fortification of the Canal has been reported to the House of Representatives by the Appropriations Committee.

PERSIA.

London, February 22nd.

A Teheran dispatch states that M. Sipahder has been appointed Premier.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

London, February 24th.

A Washington message states that the Senate has deferred the ratification of the Treaty with Japan and that the subject will probably come up again to-day. The Californian Senate has unanimously passed a resolution urging Congress to dissent from the Treaty.

LATER.

President Taft has telegraphed to the Governor of California asking him to explain the proposed Treaty with Japan to both Houses of the State Legislature.

It is expected that the Senate will ratify the Treaty in the course of a few days, as the opposition on the Pacific coast is not formidable.

BIG BLAZE ON THE PRAYA.

Shortly after seven o'clock last night the fire bell sounded the call at the Central Police Station, and in a few minutes the Brigade had responded to the summons and was on the way to the corner of Eastern Street and Des Vours Road West, where a huge conflagration was raging. Five or six buildings were in the grip of the flames and it looked as if the outbreak would assume much greater proportions, especially as one of the shops in the burning mass was a kerosene store. However, these fears were not realised, and the firemen had the satisfaction of seeing their efforts meet with considerable success after about an hour's work, by which time the fire was held in check.

The buildings are situated at the corner of what is locally known as Fish Street. The two upper storeys in each of the five tenements are occupied as dwelling houses, the ground floors being used as shops. It is believed that the fire occurred in one of the houses on the Praya through the accidental overturning of a kerosene lamp, and the woodwork, becoming ignited quickly carried the flames to the kerosene store below. When this was reached a huge blaze shot up into the air, and the series of explosions heard were probably due to the exploding of the matches also stored there. The inmates of all the threatened houses made a rush for safety, and it is understood that all escaped in good time. When the Fire Brigade arrived on the scene with two engines no difficulty was experienced in obtaining a plentiful supply of water, and soon numerous streams of water were being poured upon the burning building from all sides, and the fire was practically extinguished by about ten o'clock.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

February 23rd.

GAMBLING DENS AND YAMENS.

A citizen has written a very strong letter to the local Press in which he calls attention to the large number of "Yan-tan" houses situated near the yamens of the Pun Ya and Nam Hoi Magistracies. The writer points out that at a time when steps are to be taken to abolish licensed gambling in this province the presence of these houses at the doors of the chief officials is most unbecoming and leads the people to doubt the bona fides of the Government. Near the Nam Hoi Yamen there is a row of ten wooden gambling sheds which encroach on the public path causing great obstruction of traffic. These houses are nearly always full of gamblers and the street outside is equally full of pick-pockets, so this particular spot has a very sinister reputation. Some time ago the Magistrate was requested to order the removal of these places, but he took no notice of the request, and the district in question appears to be going from bad to worse.

THE SMUGGLING OF ARMS.

One of the many serious problems that face the provincial officials is the incessant smuggling of arms into the various ports of Kwongtung. The large amount of weapons and ammunition that find their way into the interior is abundantly manifest when clan fights and armed robberies take place. The participants in these crimes are nearly always armed with modern weapons such as Mauser rifles and revolvers, and ammunition appears to be limitless. The officials are afraid of this kind of thing, because they think that should an anti-dynastic rising take place the people would be able to contend to some purpose against the ruling dynasty's troops. The news of the amount of smuggling going on here has evidently reached Peking, for the Viceroy has just received orders that he must devise the most stringent measures to prevent it. Should smuggled weapons be found the officials of the district where the arms are found are to be severely punished, while all incoming junks, steam-launches, and other craft are to be subjected to a rigorous search. The private baggage of passengers is also to be searched, and it is to be hoped by these means that fewer weapons will find their way into undesirable hands.

COUNTERFEIT COINS.

The amount of base and counterfeit coins in circulation in this province is very great, and the wonder is where they come from. The Viceroy has just had word from Peking that a number of unscrupulous foreigners are touring the country with machines specially constructed for counterfeiting purposes. It is said that these machines are being rapidly bought up, and it is feared that if the originators of this nefarious scheme are not soon brought to book the money market will be seriously involved. The Viceroy is ordered to offer a handsome reward to anyone giving information that will lead to the discovery of those who are in possession of these machines.

PICK-POCKETS.

The residents of Fatsan have been very much annoyed lately at the number of pick-pockets and snatchers in the town. The busiest and most crowded thoroughfares have been the happy hunting ground of these thieves, and in response to appeals from the people the officials have dressed up many soldiers as coolies and workmen, and sent them among the crowds to watch. The effect has been surprising and a very large number of thieves have been caught, and cases of this kind of crime have, in consequence, greatly decreased.

SOLDIERS AND THEATRES.

It has been reported several times in this column that there has been trouble at various theatres owing to soldiers trying to get in at reduced prices. The Director of the Military Bureau has now sent a notification to the Tactais of Police and Industries to the effect that it is the privilege of the soldiers to be admitted to all seats (except those of the first class) at half-price. Should any soldier, however, try to force his way in without paying anything he is to be severely dealt with. It is to be hoped that these directions will cause the cessation of any further trouble in this direction.

THE WINE MONOPOLY.

The trouble with the wine trade still goes on. Yesterday I reported that it was impossible to buy wine at some shops, and it is now said that the wine guild as a part of their campaign against the Hong Chai Company (the monopolists) have organised a strike among the wine retailers. This is more serious than it appears, for nearly all the wine merchants deal also in rice, and it is said that the wine guild is endeavouring to get these shop-keepers to cease selling rice also. The editors of the local Press do not view these proceedings with any degree of favour.

KWONGKOW RAILWAY REDEMPTION.

As previously reported, the Viceroy has in hand a scheme for the redemption of the Canton-Kowloon Railway by means of raising a foreign loan. This proposal has been referred to the Minister of Finance and the Board of Communications at Peking for consideration, but these authorities do not seem to deem the redemption advisable at the present time. The Board, however, intends to send a special deputy to make a tour of inspection along the whole line, and on his report will depend to a large extent the further action of the Board.

The *Peking Daily News* says that the many friends of Miss Grace Martin, daughter of Mr. Martin, formerly U. S. Consul in Hankow, will be glad to learn of her engagement to Mr. Kenny, of the International Banking Corporation at Hongkong.

SPORTING NOTES.

Now that the interest in ponies and riders has become less absorbing, some attention is being paid to other branches of sport. Football actually made a start on the off-day of the races, but it will become more general to-day, while cricket will be restored to the Saturday afternoon diary.

Interest in lawn tennis is being manifested and the good number of players seen on the Club green these afternoons suggest that anticipations regarding the forthcoming tournament are being indulged in. The Civil Service Club is getting its house in order, and I notice that the entries for the various competitions in this club close on March 6th.

The Shield football competition was commenced last Saturday, when the left half of the K.O.Y.L.I. met the R.E. A good game resulted in a draw of one goal each. To-morrow the H.K.F.C. meet the Naval Yard, and the R.G.A. are drawn against the Yorkshire military men.

There are four cricket League matches set down for to-day, and in two the issue is doubtful. The Civil Service look as if they were going to field a strong team, and it would not be a surprise if they took the points, although the K.O.Y.L.I. managed to secure a win on Wednesday from the R.G.A.

The analysis now reads:

Remnants	H.K.C.C.	W.D.	Civil Service	Craigengower	R.E.	Police	Civil Service	R.G.A.	Yorks
H.K.C.C.	L	D	L	D	D	L	L	L	L
Kowloon	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Craigengower	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
R.E.	L	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Police	L	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Civil Service	L	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
R.G.A.	L	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Yorks	L	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D

March 15th is the date fixed for the closing of entries in the Wheel handicap and championship cups lawn bowls competitions in connection with the Civil Service Club.

The sporting event of the week has been the conclusion of the Hongkong Challenge Shield Competition. This season the civilians have been but poorly represented, the Club going out in the first round to the Mahatras and the B. O. C. being vanquished by the *Mintaur*, and the competition has been a succession of triumphs for the crack teams of the native regiments. The Mahatras and the Rajputs met in a Titanic struggle on Wednesday to decide the destination of the Shield, and victory fell to the Rajputs by one goal to nothing. Major-General Anderson afterwards presented the trophy to the winners. As will be seen from the appended list of winners, the Shield has been mostly held by native regiments:

1902-1903—114th Bombay Infantry
1903-1904—110th "Ahrats"
1904-1905—93rd Burmas
1905-1906—114th Infantry
1906-1907—119th Infantry
1907-1908—U. S. R. C.
1908-1909—U. S. R. C.
1909-1910—U. S. R. C.
1910-1911—13th Rajputs.

OBSERVER.

LOCAL SPORT.

FIXTURES AT A GLANCE.

LEAGUE CRICKET.
Craigengower v. Remnants,
C. C. ground, 2 p.m.
Civil Service v. K.O.Y.L.I.,
Happy Valley.
H.K.C.C. "A" v. R.G.A.,
Club ground.
R.E. v. Police,
Happy Valley.
Teams:

Craigengower—L. E. Lamert, H. H. Taylor, J. D. Noria, W. V. Vivesh, R. A. Carvalho, J. V. Braga, E. L. Braga, L. A. Rose, P. Currie, R. Pestonji and R. Basa.
Civil Service—R. E. O. Bird, H. R. Phelps, A. H. Cox, J. McEwen, F. R. Ling, A. G. Pile, J. Tillman, H. Ellis, J. Mackay, F. Bacon and H. T. Jackman (captain). Reserves: E. W. Dawson, A. Tucker, P. Heathcote and A. M. Thornhill.
H.K.C.C. "A"—George Hastings, H. Hancock, A. P. Dashedwood, P. Jacks, A. A. Claxton, H. R. Makin, Rev. S. W. Payne, A. C. Leith, A. E. Lowe, Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson and T. E. Pearce.
H.K. CRICKET LEAGUE.
The following is the table up to date:—

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Percent
R. E. & Depts.	10	7	1	2	70
Yorks	4	4	0	0	50
R. G. A.	9	4	4	1	44.44
Civil Service	7	3	4	0	42.85
Kowloon	12	5	3	4	41.66
Remnants	10	4	3	3	40.00
Hongkong "A"	11	4	2	5	36.36
Craigengower	10	3	3	4	30
H.K. Police	13	2	10	1	15.38

OTHER CRICKET.

Kowloon "A" v. R.E. "A."
R.A.M.C. v. Naval Yard.
H.K.F.C. v. Naval Yard.
R.G.A. v. K.O.Y.L.I. (left half).

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 24th February.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR FRANCIS PRIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

ABRON.

Frank Aquino, who pleaded guilty to a charge of arson, and who was remanded for medical observation, was again placed in the dock.

His Lordship stated that he had had inquiries made into the prisoner's state of mind, and he did not think there was anything to induce him to mitigate the sentence to be passed upon him. Prisoner would be sentenced to one year's imprisonment with hard labour.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. F. A. HAZLELAND (ACTING JUSTICE).

A GREAT DEFENCE.

The case was mentioned in which Bhagat Singh sued Azeaz to recover \$73.50 due for money lent.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner, who appeared for the plaintiff, said he understood there was a great defence in this case.

His Lordship—A great defence?

Mr. E. J. Grist (for defendant)—Yes, my Lord. Defendant denies absolutely that he owes this man any money.

The hearing was adjourned.

A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION.

Au Kau Tong brought action against the Sun Hop Kee and another to recover \$300.

Mr. Grist, who appeared for the defendant, asked his Lordship to fix a day for the hearing.

His Lordship—Is it a short cause?

Mr. P. S. Dixon (for plaintiff)—Yes, there is no defence.

His Lordship (to Mr. Grist)—Is that so?

Mr. Grist—There is a very good defence.

His Lordship—I will put the case on the remand list.

PARTICULARS NOT SUPPLIED.

The action brought by Koo Chin against the Lee Hang firm to recover \$116.55 was called on.

Mr. Chan Sik Ho represented the plaintiff, and defendants were represented by Mr. Christopher Wilson.

Mr. Wilson—An order was made for particulars somewhere in October last, but I have not had them yet. I wrote to Mr. Lee of Alameda on September 17th, but have had no reply. Will your Lordship make a peremptory order for particulars?

His Lordship (to Mr. Ho)—Why have you not given particulars?

Mr. Ho—I don't know, my Lord. I suppose Mr. Alameda forgot.

Mr. Wilson—I want particulars of the agreement.

His Lordship ordered particulars and fixed the hearing for Saturday, the 11th March.

CONSENTED TO JUDGMENT.

The Hongkong and China Gas Co. sued R. H. Whittaker to recover \$24.11.

Mr. Grist appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. P. W. Goldring represented defendant.

Mr. Goldring consented to judgment and asked his Lordship to grant a stay of execution. By an arrangement made with the other creditors, at a meeting of which the Gas Co. did not attend, the creditors agreed to wait until March 31st.

Mr. Grist—If your Lordship would give us liberty to apply.

His Lordship—You agree to a stay of execution sine die with liberty to apply?

Mr. Grist—A stay of execution until March 30th. I do not want to apply unless it is necessary.

His Lordship granted a stay as asked.

CLAIMS FOR MONEY LENT.

Moola Singh brought action against Chay Lam Fat to recover \$160 due for money lent.

Mr. Grist appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Ho represented the defendant.

Mr. Ho consented to judgment and asked his Lordship for small instalments. This was one of the cases in which he was sure that his Lordship would be justified in exercising his discretion and making small instalments.

His Lordship—On what grounds?

Mr. Ho—The defendant has no work.

His Lordship—What are you prepared to pay?

Mr. Ho—Defendant's friends are prepared to pay \$5 a month.

Mr. Grist—Plaintiff says the defendant has money.

Mr. Ho—He does not look like it. He has absolutely nothing, and there are two more actions against him.

Mr. Grist—Plaintiff thinks the defendant might run away.

His Lordship—Yes, they always think that. Did he run away before?

Mr. Ho—No, he went to Canton.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner—I have a claim against this gentleman.

Mr. Grist—The plaintiff is prepared to accept \$20 a month.

His Lordship—I think that is very reasonable.

Mr. Ho—There are two more cases against the defendant.

His Lordship—I cannot help that. I will make an order for instalments of \$20 a month, the first to be paid on March 2nd.

Mr. Gardiner—I have a claim against the defendant.

His Lordship—You think your instalment ought to come before this?

Mr. Gardiner—My writ was issued first.

Mr. Grist, for the plaintiff, asked for instalments of \$10 a month.

His Lordship ordered monthly instalments of \$10.

Gagan Singh claimed from the same defendant the sum of \$66.00.

Mr. Ho again consented to judgment, but was afraid his client would be unable to pay anything.

Mr. Gardiner asked for a similar instalment to that made in the previous case.

His Lordship made an order for payment by instalments of \$10 a month, the first payment to be made on March 2nd.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth in their weekly share report dated 24th February state—

A fair volume of local business has been transacted during the past week, and rates on the whole show some improvement on last quotations. "Rubbers" in sympathy with an advancing London market have improved locally and close firm. Fine Hard Para Rubber has advanced in London to 6/11 per lb with sellers prevailing at the close. The Bank of England rate of discount is unchanged at 3 per cent, and the open market rate at 3 per cent. Bar Silver in London closes at 24 3/4 per oz. steady. Starling T. T. is quoted locally at 1/9 3/4, and the T. T. rate on Shanghai at 7 1/2.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have receded to \$900 with sales, buyers prevailing at the close, with sellers at \$905. London has declined to 288. Nationals are still enquired for at \$80.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions after further small sales at \$825 and \$827 1/2 can now be placed at \$830. North China have been booked at the improved rate of 1/15, and Cantons at 1/17 1/2, both closing with probable buyers.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong can still be secured at \$355, and the offer of a slightly lower rate would probably be accepted. Chinas, on the announcement of a dividend for the last year of \$7 per share and bonus of \$2 per share, have strengthened, and have now been placed at \$125.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been dealt in fairly extensively during the interval and close steady at \$30 on the dividend of \$14 per share for the half-year ending 31 Dec., 1-10, paid on the 21st instant. Indo-China have improved to \$59 buyers for the prefer red and deferred issues combined. China and Manilas have sold and are in further request at \$10. Douglases are quiet at \$10 with probable sellers, and Star Ferry at \$23 and 1/2 for the old and new issues respectively. Shell Transports are procurable from London at 92.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have firmed up, and after have been booked at \$110. Luzons after small sales at \$175, and \$18 can now be placed at \$184.

MINING.—Chinese Engineering have declined to 1/13 with sellers in the North. In other stocks under this head quotations are unchanged and no business is reported.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GOVENS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have ruled steadily during the interval with small sales at \$55 1/2 and \$56, market closing with buyers at \$55. Kowloon Wharves of the announcement of a 6 per cent. dividend for 1910 have improved somewhat, but at the close are procurable at \$55. New Amoy Docks, Shanghai Docks and Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves are unchanged, and without local business.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands continue quiet with sellers at \$96 and small buyers at \$95. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$34, and West Point at \$45, but no sales are reported. Humphreys Estates are wanted at \$63, and Shanghai Lands in the North at \$74. There are buyers of Hongkong Hotels at \$105 and \$55 for the old and new issues respectively.

COTTON MILLS.—Hongkong have declined to \$5 sellers without business. Quotations for the Northern Mills are unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Sales have been booked of Dairy Farms at \$19 and \$19 1/2, Electrics at \$23, Ice at \$165, Steam Landrugs at \$62 and Ropes at \$18. There are sellers of China Borneos at \$10, Cements at \$34, and Ropes at \$18. Watson's are wanted at \$62, and Powell's at \$24.

RUBBERS.—The following are closing quotations—middle prices—received from London by wire today:

Highlands and Lowlands ... 110/-
Ludburys ... 71 1/2
London Asiatics ... 14 1/2
London Ventures ... 5/-
United Serdings ... 116 1/2
Allagars ... 4.10
Bata Tiges ... 39.9
Sapongs ... 28/-
Linggis ... 49/-
Eastern and International Trusts ... 14/-
Rubber Trusts ... 19 1/2 prem.
Para Rubber ... 6/11 per lb sellers.

PAPER-MAKING IN CHINA.

The native paper in China is chiefly made of bamboo, says a recent American Consular report from Foochow, and the process of its manufacture is as follows:—Before branching, the young bamboo is cut down and saved into pieces of one foot or over in length. These pieces are immersed in a pond of thick lime-water for a fortnight or longer until the tender part of the bamboo is decomposed. The resultant bamboo fibre is then taken out and bleached. The cleaner the water used in bleaching the fibres, the whiter the paper will be. In the bleaching operation the fibre usually passes through a pounding mill worked by water power. After bleaching the fibre may be either dried under the sun and stored up for future use or put into a large wooden tank and mixed with lime and water for further decomposition, which takes a long time. To this mixture is added some gum extracted from the bark or roots of a certain kind of tree, before the pulp is fit for use. For forming into sheets a paper sieve made of fine bamboo is placed at the bottom of a rectangular wooden tray, into which the pulp is poured from a ladle, which is exactly large enough to hold sufficient pulp for one sheet of paper. The sieve is tended by either one or two or four persons, according to the size of the paper desired. The sieve is then taken out with a film of fine bamboo fibre on its surface and turned upside down, discharging the film or wet paper on a piece of board. The superfluous water in the tray being let out, the same process is repeated, and the film is placed on the top of the other until a certain height is reached, when the board with a pile of wet paper is carried to a press for pressing. The wet paper is afterwards skilfully taken up by hand from the pile and spread on a large drying bed made of bamboo and heated by charcoal fire placed underneath. After being thus dried, the paper is ready for packing into bundles and packages of various sizes to suit the market. Owing to the competition of the machine-made paper, the paper industry has been steadily declining.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM SOUTHERN PAPERS.]

EAST AFRICA AND ASIATIC IMMIGRATION.

A convention of settlers in Nairobi has demanded the prohibition of Asiatic Immigration. AMERICAN TARIFF QUESTION.

London, January 31st.
Renter wires from Washington that the House of Representatives has passed a Bill creating a permanent Tariff Board to investigate tariff questions for the guidance of Congress.

A MILITARY LABEL CASE.

London, January 31st.
The libel case brought by Mr. Edmundson, a former Hussar, who served as a Major in the Imperial Yeomanry during the South African War, against Mr. Amery, Editor of the "Times History of the War," has been proceeding for some days.

The libel consists of a letter which Mr. Amery wrote to a local paper during the last election at Wolverhampton, stating that Mr. Edmundson was guilty of cowardice, running away at Lillicote.

The plaintiff called numerous witnesses to disprove the charge of cowardice and to testify to his soldierly conduct.

Lord Roberts was the first witness for the defence. He testified that he had reduced Mr. Edmundson to the ranks, after examining the reports of General Knox, Kitchener and Kitchener, having come to the conclusion that the plaintiff had misbehaved before the enemy.

Pressed by Counsel witness refused to enter into details. He was not aware of Mr. Edmundson's long service when the case came before him, or that he was demanding to be Court-martialled.

MAULED BY A LION.

London, January 31st.
The Nairobi correspondent of the "African World" states that Mr. Grey, ex-Manager of the Tannanyia Concessions, and a brother to Sir Edward Grey, was severely mauled by a lion while hunting on the Ashi River, on the 29th January. He was worried like a rat and was rescued with difficulty. He is progressing favourably.

THE GREEK ARMY AND NEW FRENCH OFFICERS.
Athens, January 31st.
Eleven French officers have arrived to reorganise the Greek Army.

INTERIOR WIRELESS STATIONS IN INDIA.
London, January 31st.
The India Office has concluded a contract with the Marconi Company for the erection of wireless stations at Calcutta, Delhi, Allahabad, and Simla, primarily for military and other Government purposes.

It is hoped that the work will be completed in time for the Durbar. The total cost is £50,000.

AUSTRIAN ADMIRAL'S REMARKS.
Budapest, February 1st.
In a debate in the Hungarian "Volksrecht" Admiral Montecucoli, the Austro-Hungarian Minister of Marine, referring to a statement in Italian papers attributed to the Austrian Admiral Chiari, that the Austrian naval expansion was due to belief in an inevitable collision with Italy, said that Admiral Chiari was retired, and therefore his utterances are irresponsible. It was impossible to conjecture the object of such statements in view of the general efforts in favour of peace.

MOD RULE IN THE ANCIENT PORTUGUESE CAPITAL.
London, February 2nd.
A mob attacked and wrecked the headquarters of the Royalist and Catholic parties at Coimbra, resenting their attendance at mass on the anniversary of the assassination of King Carlos [Coimbra is 135 miles from Lisbon, and was the capital for 250 years, until nearly 1,400 A. D. It has two Cathedrals and the only University in Portugal.]

THE OTHER ALLEGATION AGAINST KING GEORGE.
London, February 2nd.
During the Mytilene trial, the name of Krishnamoorti cropped up several times as an associate of the American Edward James, nephew of the author, Henry James, who is the editor of "Liberator."

A Times article says—This charge has utterly broken down. It would be the same with other such as the preposterous suggestion that the King is too fond of wine. The charge is false and silly.

THE NEW PRIMATE OF IRELAND.
London, February 2nd.
Bishop Crozier, of Down, has been elected to succeed Archbishop Alexander as Primate of Ireland.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN ONCE MORE TAKES THE CROWN.
London, February 2nd.
Mr. Joseph Chamberlain took his oath in Parliament this afternoon. He was assisted by the Treasury Bench by Mr. Austen Chamberlain and Mr. Arthur Lee. It was the general impression that there was a slight improvement in Mr. Chamberlain's health. Mr. Austen Chamberlain signed the book for his father, who conversed cheerfully for a few minutes and shook hands with the Speaker. He then left the House.

NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE LABOUR PARTY.
London, February 2nd.
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has accepted the Chairmanship of the Labour Party in the House of Commons in view of the illness of Mr. Burns.

CRITICISM OF THE TRIPLE ENTENTE.
Paris, February 2nd.
M. Pichon, Minister for Foreign Affairs, replying to Senate criticisms of the usefulness of the triple entente, deprecated the statement that the entente with England was unproductive and that military matters were no longer discussed with England.

M. Pichon exclaimed: "What do you know about it? Diplomacy is not carried on in public places. The entente cordiale was never more complete or more productive than today."

M. Pichon also deprecated similar statements concerning the alliance with Russia. France's political position was as never better than today.

HOLLAND AND THE NEUTRALITY PRINCIPLE.
The Hague, February 2nd.
During a debate in the States-General on the fortification of Flushing, Dr. Heemskerk, Minister of the Interior, emphasised that the maintenance of neutrality was the principle motive of the scheme. It was useless to have fortifications in the interior for the maintenance of neutrality. They must be on the coast or the frontiers.

PRESIDENT TAFT ON THE AGREEMENT WITH CANADA.
Ottawa, January 31st.
Mr. Taft, who strenuously supports the commercial agreement with Canada, speaking at a banquet yesterday, said the negotiation would be a fitting close to the co-existence of a century and would permanently establish good feeling and commercial union with a kindred people.

CANADA SWIFT BY WIND AND SNOW.
Ottawa, February 3rd.
A gale, accompanied by a heavy snowstorm, has swept over the country from the Pacific to the Atlantic. Trains have been tied up in British Columbia, in the western prairies, in Ontario, and in the Quebec maritime provinces. Trains in the Rockies are one to two days late. Trains in Ottawa and Montreal are blocked.

BOY SCOUTS IN BENGAL.

Calcutta, February 3rd.
The Lieutenant-Governor has ordered the Calcutta Boy Scouts at Belvedere yesterday. The movement is making great progress in Bengal. There are 700 scouts in Calcutta and patrols are springing up rapidly in the mofussil.

AN AVIATOR RECEIVED BY KING GEORGE.
London, February 1st.
At the invitation of His Majesty the King, the aviator Sopwith to-day aeroplaned from Brooklands to Windsor, where he was received by Their Majesties.

DEATH OF SIR EDWARD GREY'S BROTHER.
London, February 4th.
Mr. George Grey, brother of Sir Edward Grey, died at Nairobi, from injuries sustained when mauled by a lion.

STRIKE OF NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY MEN.
London, February 4th.
In consequence of the dismissal of six fish-porters, the North-Eastern railway men at Hull have struck, notwithstanding the disapproval of the leaders. All work at the goods yards is stopped and traffic at the docks disorganised. Ships are supplying their own labour at the quaysides, which are heaped with goods. Passenger traffic so far has not been affected, though stations are denuded of officials including ticket collectors.

NATIVE ASSAULTS ON WHITE WOMEN IN SOUTH AFRICA.
London, February 5th.
Renter wires from Cape Town that assaults by natives on white women are reported, at Johannesburg and Port Elizabeth. At the latter place a white woman shot her assailant dead with a revolver.

INTER-DOMINION CRICKET.
London, February 7th.
In the match between Victoria and South Africans, the Australian transcribed 90 in their second venture.

The South Africans lost two wickets while making the nine runs necessary for victory.

COTTON OPERATIVES IN LANCASHIRE.
London, February 9th.
Three thousand cotton operatives were locked out at Padlihan, near Burnley, yesterday evening, following a partial strike in consequence of the dismissal of a female weaver.

TRADE UNION DEFEAT TO THE PREMIER.
London, February 9th.
Mr. Asquith, replying to a deputation from the Trades Union Congress, said he hoped to give effect to the proposals for the payment of members during the present Session.

The Prime Minister believed that each citizen should have only one vote and declared himself in favour of transferable registration. He further stated that the election period should be shortened, even if a one-day election was impracticable. He concluded by advocating the closing of public houses during the voting.

THE FISCAL DEBATE.
London, February 9th.
The Right Hon. A. Lyttelton resumed the Fiscal debate, and again emphasised that the object of the Conservatives was not to criticise Canada and the United States, but to ensure the Imperial loss of a great opportunity for mutual preference between Canada and the Mother-country. He denied Mr. Asquith's statement that the agreement was inevitable.

Mr. Asquith said that the House was asked to ensure the Government for not doing what it had given a solemn pledge to the electors to obtain from doing. It was the most paradoxical sentence in the annals of the House. (Cheers.)

There were there any shadow of evidence that countries armed with tariffs were treated better than we were. The objections to the proposed Imperial Preference were the increase of the price of bread at home, and the friction, inequality, and embitterment it would cause in different parts of the Empire, inasmuch as colonies like South Africa which did not send food would not be benefited. He was not foolish enough to suppose that Protection was dead in England, but they were celebrating the obsequies of Imperial Preference. They ought to be thankful that the common-sense of the electors had averted this institution, which would have been the most disastrous political imposture of the age.

Mr. Balfour said that Mr. Asquith had defended Canadian agriculture from supposed assertions, but the most violent attack on them was contained in Mr. Asquith's last words. The importance of which he had spoken had been endorsed by very Colonial Premier. The difference between the Government and Opposition was the Government's refusal to treat colonists in the interests of the Empire better than foreigners. They must look ahead and take a wide outlook, and not confine their view to the immediate commercial position of their own constituents. He was certain that the verdict of the people would eventually be reversed.

London, February 10th.
The Fiscal amendment was rejected by 324 votes to 222.

The Labour Members and the Nationalists voted with the Government. The O'Brienites abstained.

Hitherto the Nationalists have abstained from voting on Fiscal questions.

SUBMARINES FOR AUSTRALIA.
London, February 9th.
Australia has ordered two submarines from Messrs. Vickers, Maxim.

THE NEXT ARMY ESTIMATES.
London, February 9th.
Mr. Haldane, replying to a deputation, forecasted an increase in the Army Estimates.

AVIATION: TWO MORE DEATHS.
Paris, February 10th.
The aviators Noel and De La Torre, have lost their lives while testing a military aeroplane at Dozy, in Ardennes. The wings dropped off while they were ascending.

WEATHER REPORT.
On the 24th at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer has risen generally, except over E.N. China and at Vladivostok.

The at-cyclonic area covering China is still central to the North of the Yangtze valley. Pressure is relatively low over the Pacific to the East of the Loochoos, and over the S. part of the China Sea.

A very strong monsoon will continue to prevail over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood (N. winds, fresh to moderate; fine; N. and N.E. winds, fresh.

Formosa Channel Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Same as No. 1.

Hongkong and Lamook Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Same as No. 1.

Hongkong and Hainan Same as No. 1.

IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

INDIA AND THE PROBLEM OF THE PACIFIC.
(BY "IMPERIALIST," IN THE LONDON "MORNING POST.")

The problem of Imperial Defence cannot be separated altogether from that of Home Defence. No Imperial scheme which ignored the paramount necessity of preserving the integrity of Great Britain would be reasonable. On the other hand, any scheme which makes that the end as well as the beginning of its aim is not likely to attract Imperial sympathy, and everyone admits now the necessity of Imperial sympathy for any plan of defence. The extraordinary fidelity of an official statement made some few years ago that a supreme Navy in Home waters was the only necessity of Imperial Defence, since such a Navy could in time resort to the supremacy of one Flag, even though in the meantime one of the Overseas Dominions, say, Australia, had been successfully invaded, is not possible today. When Imperial Defence, as apart from strictly Home Defence, comes to be considered it is seen that the vital ocean is the Pacific, and not the Atlantic, and that the chief danger is a possible combination of a European Power or Powers with an Asiatic Power.

With such an alliance the task assigned to the British Fleet in Home waters while the Asiatic section attacked Australia, New Zealand, India, and possibly, though not probably, Canada. In all likelihood an attempt would be made to stir up local trouble in India as a further means of wounding the Empire. We should then be in a position, judged by the present standing of our power in the Pacific, which would be almost hopeless strategically, since various units of the Empire would be cut off from one another; would be subject to attack in detail; and would suffer the gravest evils of defeat and invasion. Considering the subject from the point of view of national sentiment as well as of strategy, it may be safely said that the occupation, say, of New Zealand, even temporarily, by an Asiatic invader would inflict an unendurable wound on the Imperial cause. The Empire must at any crisis be in a position to guard all its homes.

OUR POSITION IN THE PACIFIC.
Fortunately, the position of the Empire in the Pacific as regards possessions and bases is very strong. We are able to make the Indian Ocean a "British lake," and doing so can, with an advance base at Singapore, hold command of the whole of the Western Pacific littoral—i.e., that comprising Asia and Australasia. India is the most wealthy of Asiatic countries. Australia is the greatest field of future development of wealth. South Africa on day will be no contemptible rival to Australia. India, Australia, South Africa these three are within a triangle, the apex of which is India, and which can be made, on land and sea, a huge British fortress. In addition there are various advance posts—Singapore and Hongkong, Fiji and New Zealand—which give minor bases for action in the Pacific. Supporting the military strength of Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, to fully developed (in the case of Australia and New Zealand has been quite safely presumed). Great Britain is at once relieved of all military anxiety within the area of this great triangle. Presuming an Indian trouble, troops would be promptly available in South Africa and Australia. Presuming a native rising in South Africa, India and Australia could at once pour in reinforcements. Supporting Australia or New Zealand to be the point of threatened attack, their local strength could be added to with quick drafts from India and South Africa. Thus, though a most formidable European-Asian coalition threatened the Empire, in the Pacific it could look after itself until the crisis was over.

SEA POWER IN THE PACIFIC.
But this presumes sea supremacy in the Pacific. That at present the Empire does not pretend to. Confident in the Japanese alliance, Great Britain has very seriously reduced her naval force in the Pacific. The restoration of that force has, however, been determined upon, and is now proceeding on Imperial lines. Australia and New Zealand each make a contribution. From Canada and South Africa there is a reasonable prospect of help if the matter is urged at the Conference. But, even so, the largest and richest Imperial territory in the Pacific area of influence is omitted—India. That omission must be remedied if a sound Imperial defence organisation is to be achieved. With the co-operation of India the task of upholding sea supremacy in the Pacific will be easy. Without that co-operation the task will be difficult, if not impossible.

It is not the part of a journalist to attempt to lay down exact lines of policy. His province is rather to indicate broad lines on which development seems most easily possible. The Conference can reduce ideas to concrete proposals. But I may point out—as having suggested very many years ago something of the kind, and finding now the idea supported by the very highest authorities here—that there is every reason of mutual benefit to induce a co-ordination of India, South Africa, and Australasia in defence matters. India at present is burdened with the maintenance of a very large British garrison. That garrison might be materially reduced if there were a certainty that at short notice white troops could be poured in from South Africa and Australia. The money thus saved might be devoted to the maintenance of a special Imperial Fleet unit, to be known as the Indian Fleet, and devoted specially to safeguarding Indian interests by maintaining the Indian Ocean as a British lake. Doing that, it would be in a position to act promptly at any time for the defence of South Africa (one of its bases would be at Capetown), and just as promptly to rally out to the Pacific to confront any enemy threatening Australia or New Zealand. Indeed, it may be said that with such a Fleet in being, its vigilant eye localised at Singapore, the possibility of an Asiatic invasion of the British communities in the South Pacific would be once and for all removed. It may be presumed that the Imperial Fleet, made up of the contributions of India, Australia, New Zealand, and (one may hope) Canada and South Africa, would be raised by the British Government to a standard exceeding that of any possible hostile Fleet combination in the Pacific.

There is probably in the British diplomacy of to-day a frank recognition of the fact that the alliance with Japan is not eternal, and that the position in the Pacific must be calculated on the Empire's strength alone. But again, let it be repeated, Imperial preservation is an Imperial, not a national, responsibility. The British taxpayer cannot—even if it were fair to ask him—take upon his shoulders the whole burden. Generally speaking, that is recognised throughout the Empire, and the Dominions are willing and anxious to do their share. On the Mother Country, however, rests the task of frank explanation and wise leadership. The immediate part of that task is a Defence Conference, with India represented, in 19

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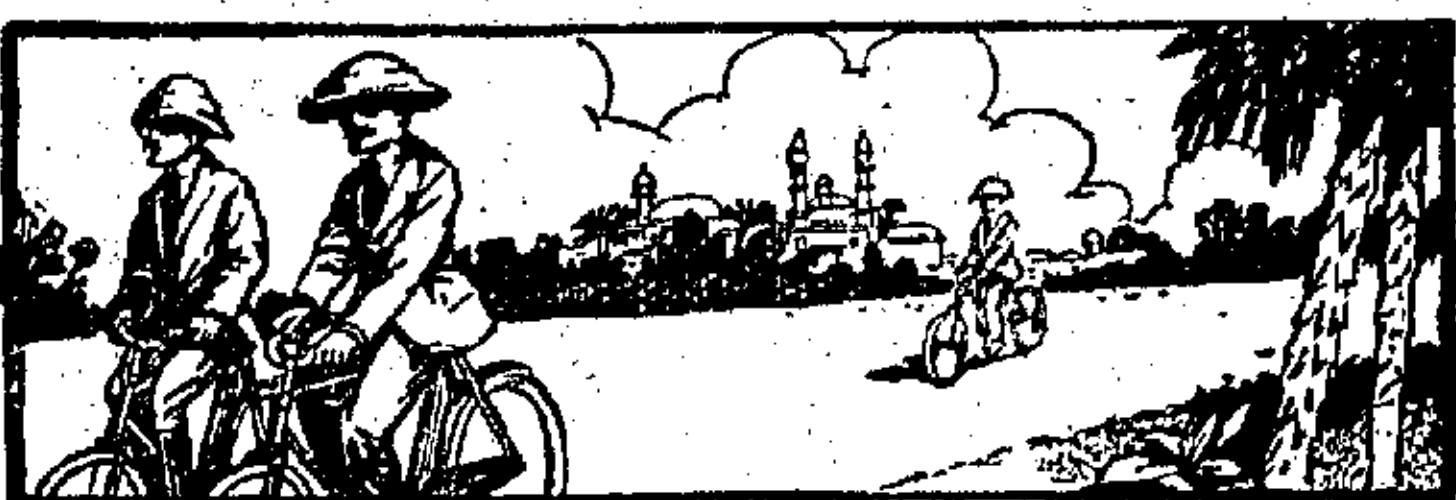
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PRESERVED HAILSTONES.

To keep hailstones for winter study, Prof. Weinberg, of Tomsk, Siberia, encloses them in a little cell with double walls holding ice and copper sulphate. August hailstones so preserved were examined under the microscope in the cold of December. He suggests immersing in oil to prevent agglomeration.

CENTRAL STATION PLOUGHING.

Electric ploughing outfits, each capable of ploughing from 10 to 25 acres daily with the small plough and 25 to 35 acres with the larger one, are a German novelty. A single motor, of 38 to 72 horse-power, is used, and a complete equipment includes a motor truck, driving rope, anchor vehicle, automatically moving rope supports, plough, electric cable and cable car. The 1,000 to 3,000 feet of specially armoured rubber-covered cable supplying the current is carried on an outrigger of the truck or in the greater lengths on the cable car. The electric motor on the truck can be coupled either to the rear wheels of the vehicle or to the drum driving the rope and a special device automatically stops the motor if the tension on the rope becomes excessive. A pulley on the anchor vehicle is relieved of the load of the rope when the plough moves back to the motor truck. This slackening of the rope causes the pulley's rotation to act upon the anchor vehicle, and to move it automatically forward to the next furrow-space. Electric ploughing is one of the steps in the transformation of German farming by the central power station.

ANTI-MILKING MOSQUITOES.

Some strange Java mosquitoes have been discovered that do not bite, but have the curious habit of "milking" ants in much the same way that ants obtain honey-dew from aphides. Edward Jacobson has found that mosquitoes of the species *Harpogomyia splendens* visit trees frequented by ants of the species *Crematogaster difformis*. Ticking the head of an ant with its forelegs and antennae, one of the mosquitoes causes the ant to emit a drop of fluid, which is promptly sucked up by the bandit as the victim of the hold-up is released. Two other Java diptera have been noticed feeding from the ant secretion in the same manner.

LIGHT RAYS THAT KILL.

Bacteria that survive in sunlight are killed by the ultra-violet rays from mercury-vapour lamps with quartz tubes. Two French investigators report that the killing is not due to the formation of hydrogen peroxide or other chemical poison, but to the direct action of ultra-violet rays of extremely short wave-length. Such rays abundant in artificial light from the quartz lamps near at hand are filtered from sunlight by passage through the atmosphere.

IDENTITY PROVEN BY THE HANDS.

Identification of persons by the vein patterns on the back of the hands is claimed by Prof. Tammassia, of the University of Padua, to be the best and surest of known methods. The patterns remain unchanged during life, and are never alike in two persons, the diversity being almost incredible. Even if the veins on two right hands should seem to be very similar, the patterns on the left hands of the same persons will show great divergence. Six classes of vein patterns are recognized, and show a surprising range from a single large vein having two or three short branches to groups of figures of great complexity. If necessary, the veins can be marked with dark pigment so as to show very conspicuously in photographs. The records of the rogues' gallery formerly consisted of front and profile photographs of criminals, but Bertillon gave greater accuracy by adding a system of measurement of head, forearm, fingers, etc., and Galton afterwards introduced the plan of preserving finger-prints, which show skin corrugations never alike in any two persons. Until recently the peculiarities of the vein patterns were over looked.

BOATS FOR SPEED.

The improved hydroplane of Sir John Thornycroft, English naval architect, overcomes the

difficulties of the original by retaining the shape of an ordinary boat so nearly as to pass through the water in a similar manner at ordinary speeds. The shape of the bottom is sufficiently changed to cause the vessel to skim the water at high speeds, the weight then resting on a small portion of the length amidships. The boat is 26 feet long, 6 feet beam and 2½ feet deep, and has exceeded 31 knots under poor conditions. From torpedo-boat experience, it is estimated that a hydroplane of 58 feet, with displacement of 10 tons and a 650 horse-power motor, should have a speed of 45 knots, while 60 knots should be attained with a boat 110 feet long.

ABYSSAL LIFE.

Animal life, existing under a pressure of 5½ tons to the square inch, has been found in the Tonga basin, near New Zealand, at a depth of 4½ miles. The greatest ocean depth known is less than a mile deeper.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF WALKING.

Walking is not merely moving two legs rhythmically over certain intervals of ground. It is the primal and the only way to know the world, the deliberate entering into an inheritance, whose parts are wind and weather, sky and prospect, men and animals, and all vital enjoyment. The bicycle has some advantages in point of speed, and gives a deceptive sense of power; but it is a foe to observation. All carriages, whether propelled by horse or motor, insulate the traveller from the ground, steal his attention from the world through which he passes, and utterly destroy all feeling of achievement. The very word "mile" is a walker's world-wide guess—a thousand double-paces. So the Roman legions measured their conquering advances; so the legion of pedestrians estimates its conquests of the day. "So many thousands and hundreds have mine own two feet given the resisting soil 'twixt sun and sun; so many thousands' times have the good muscles of calf and thigh lent their elastic force." What has the dusty reader of figures on a dial to match with that?

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THEATRICAL DIVORCE.

THE PETITION OF MISS FLORENCE BEECH.

In the High Court at Calcutta, on January 31, before Mr. Justice Woodroffe and Mr. Justice Carnduff, Mrs. Florence Arnold, known in Calcutta and the Far East as Miss Florence Beech, the former leading lady in the Bandmann Opera Company, who made her last appearance in Calcutta at the Empire Theatre on the occasion of a benefit performance given to Mr. Arthur Thomas on January 29, successfully appealed against the decision of Mr. Justice Harrington, who dismissed her petition for divorce against her husband on January 4 last. It will be remembered that Mr. Justice Harrington held that although he entirely believed the evidence of the petitioner, the particular acts of adultery alleged had not been proved.

Mr. Eardley Norton and Mr. H. G. Pearson (instructed by Mr. Given-Wilson, of Messrs. Morgan & Company), appeared for the appellant.

Mr. Norton said both the petitioner and respondent had been members for some years past of the Bandmann Opera Company. The petitioner was married to the respondent on the 8th of March, 1902, at the Registry Office at Sheffield, and there had been one child of the marriage, born in March, 1904. The child died in November, 1904. After the marriage the petitioner and the respondent lived together in various places, and from the month of February, 1905, to the month of February, 1909, were in Calcutta. In the months of May and August, 1909, the respondent misbehaved himself with one Mrs. Babby, a ballet mistress to which the petitioner and the respondent were then members. At the end of the year 1909, on the earnest entreaties of the respondent, the petitioner forgave him and they again lived together. Afterwards, between the months of December, 1909, and February, 1910, in Calcutta, the respondent grew very friendly with Miss Hebe Kneller, of the Bandmann Company, and when the petitioner remonstrated, respondent pushed the petitioner violently against a pillar and severely hurt her head. Thereafter, her husband threatened and insulted her, openly exhibited his preferences for the said Miss Kneller, and neglected the petitioner. Between December and January, 1910, the respondent remained out all night and refused to give any explanation or reason for his absence except that on one occasion he admitted that he had visited a house of ill-fame. In spite of the expostulations of the petitioner and other members of the Company, the respondent continued his relations with Miss Kneller. While they were at Shanghai in May, 1910, the respondent seized the petitioner by the throat and threw her violently to the ground, and since then they had lived separately.

LETTERS READ.

Counsel next read two letters received by the petitioner from the respondent, one before and the other since the institution of the divorce proceedings, and also read the judgment of Mr. Justice Harrington, which said, "Her evidence was given in a frank and straightforward manner, and I have no doubt that each fact to which she spoke was truly stated by her, but the question is, are the facts she has proved sufficient to justify the inference that on any one of these occasions she has spoken to adultery was committed."

In my view these are not sufficient to establish a charge of adultery." Mr. Norton submitted that Mr. Justice Harrington wholly omitted to consider or give effect to the admissions made by the respondent in his letters to the petitioner, and that had he considered the evidence not sufficient he ought to have given the petitioner an opportunity to adduce more evidence to prove her case. There was sufficient matter before the learned Judges to prove inclination and opportunity.

Mr. Justice Woodroffe—Has the Judge referred to these letters in his judgment?

Mr. Pearson—I relied very strongly on these letters for the corroboration of my client's story.

Mr. Justice Carnduff—Was the judgment reserved?

Mr. Pearson—It was delivered on the spot. The judge did not ask me to produce further evidence.

Mr. Norton next read the evidence given in the case by the petitioner and her witnesses, and asked their Lordships to infer from the evidence adduced that there was both inclination and opportunity for the respondent to commit adultery. For these reasons he asked their Lordships to reverse the decree in the suit.

JUDGMENT.

Mr. Justice Woodroffe, in delivering judgment, said that in this case the petitioner asked for the dissolution of her marriage with the respondent, whom she had charged both with misconduct and cruelty. The respondent had been served with notice, but had entered no defence. It had been proved in this case both by documentary and oral evidence that the respondent had misconducted himself. In the letter, dated the November 23, 1910, the respondent wrote to the petitioner as follows:

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MY DEAR WIFE.—I have heard that you are bringing divorce proceedings against me, and I believe that you are charged with me with misconduct with a certain lady in the company and adultery in Calcutta. Both of these charges I am bound to admit, as you have probably secured substantial proofs. As to the cruelty which has occurred during passion, I sincerely regret I shall not defend the case under the circumstances.—Your husband,

(Sd) G. V. ARNOLD.

Hotel Continental,

November 30, 1910.

DEAR FLORENCE.—I can't go away without writing and wishing you good-bye. I would have said good-bye personally, only I suppose my presence would have been distasteful to you. I am sorry we have finished up like this. I know I am losing a good woman, for I believe you to be good and trust you will always try and be so. I wish you the best of everything, and hope that you may meet and marry a good man who will make you happier than I have done. When you go to England, please don't abuse my poor mother, will you? Good-bye and best wishes,
Yours,—GEORGE.

The evidence of Mr. McGrath, his Lordship said, was to the effect that the respondent was very fond of Miss Kneller, and on one or two occasions the respondent asked him not to speak to his wife about it. The evidence of Mr. Smith, manager of the Bandmann Opera Company, where the petitioner had been engaged, stated that he himself had charged the respondent and Miss Kneller as regards the intimacy existing between them, and neither of them denied it. The evidence of Mr. Bury, manager of the Empire Theatre, was that in consequence of the relationship existing between the parties, the petitioner had asked him for a separate room. Mr. Justice Harrington said that the petitioner

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had given her evidence in a frank and straight-

forward manner, and on the facts adduced before

the Court there appeared to be no collusion

between the parties.

If the learned Judge was of opinion that

the evidence before him was insufficient for

him to arrive at a decision, their Lordships

thought he ought to have given an opportunity

to the petitioner to produce further evidence.

The learned Judge accepted the evidence of

the petitioner. In the present case the facts

were stronger, and there were no reasons to

suspect any collusion. The evidence which had

been given supported and corroborated the truth

of the admissions. Their Lordships had no

doubt that the admissions contained in the letter

of the respondent were truthful admissions of

fact. In the opinion of their Lordships the

acts of adultery and cruelty had been proved.

They therefore reversed the judgment of

Mr. Justice Harrington, and passed a decree

nisi for dissolution of marriage, with cost.

FOUL BREATH.

WOMEN'S GREATEST MISFORTUNE.

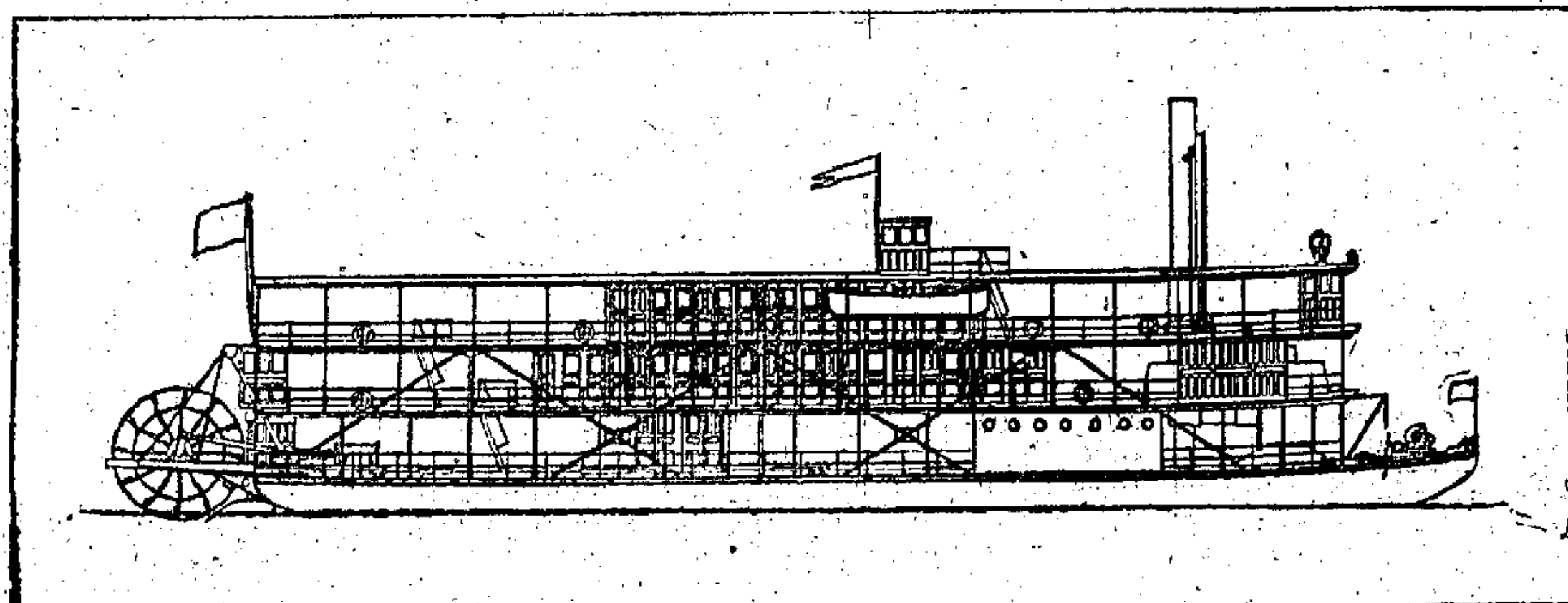
The old saying that "distance lends enchantment" was never more aptly to the point than when applied to those people whose breath is laden with evil smelling odours. Many persons appear most attractive at a distance, but produce a feeling of pity and disgust when close to because of the condition of their breath. For instance, it makes little difference how beautiful a woman may be, or how charming her manner if her breath is foul, her charm is gone and she is at a disadvantage when ever she comes in contact with other people. Foul breath in women arouses in man a feeling of repugnance and a desire to get out of the company of such a woman as quickly as possible, and even women will avoid her. It is therefore important for every woman who values her personal attraction to take such care of herself that this unpleasant and unnecessary complaint is avoided or corrected. Men, women and children who are troubled with this complaint will drive their friends away more rapidly than any other affliction. People do not realise their breaths are bad because they are like those who are constantly employed among paints and varnishes—they get used to what is to others a most offensive smell. In nearly all cases this condition is due to Constipation and a disordered Stomach, and a coated Tongue, slight Headache, and feverishness are the sure signs that the digestive organs are retaining quantities of impurities from which the system should be free, thereby causing the Breath to become charged with the foul odour. In Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills there will be found a searching, cleansing remedy which will drive the masses of decaying corruption—that poison the Blood and contaminate the breath—from the system through the regular channels. They get at the cause as no other remedy does. They get at the foundation of the complaint. They give you clean bowels, a healthy stomach, a lively liver, and blood that is rich and red. They are safe, sure and reliable remedy, and will prevent many of the complaints so common if taken once or twice a week to keep the system in a healthy condition. They are purely vegetable, and their action is not accompanied by any nauseous or gripping sensation, but is mild and gentle.

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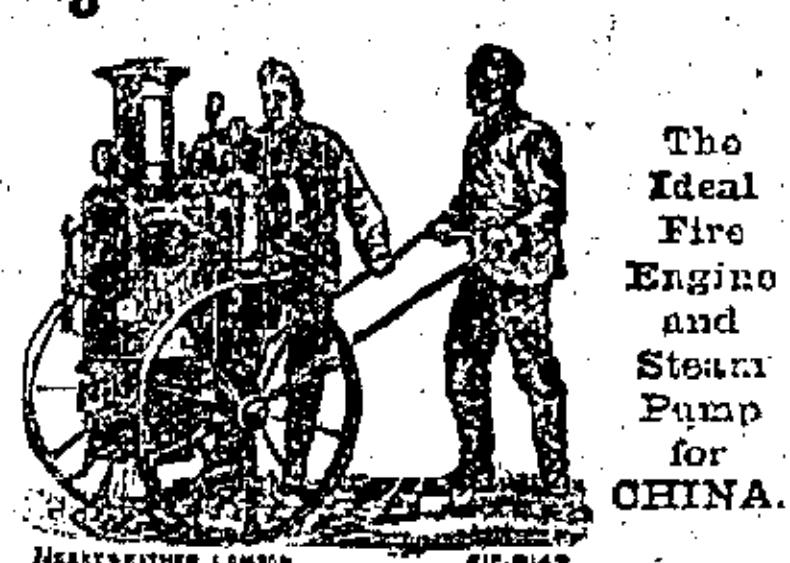
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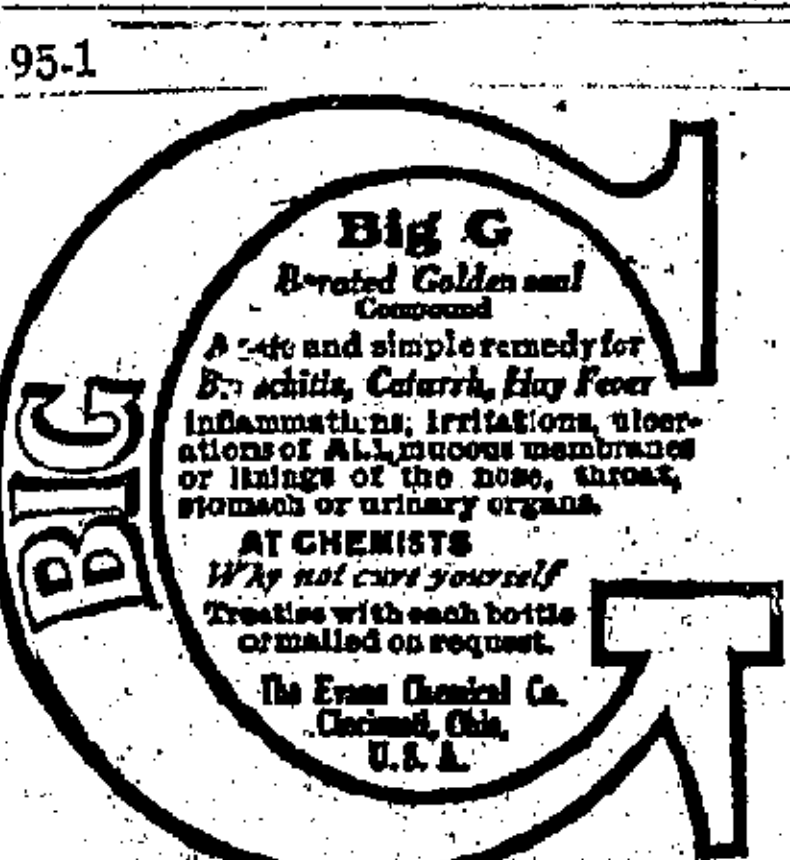
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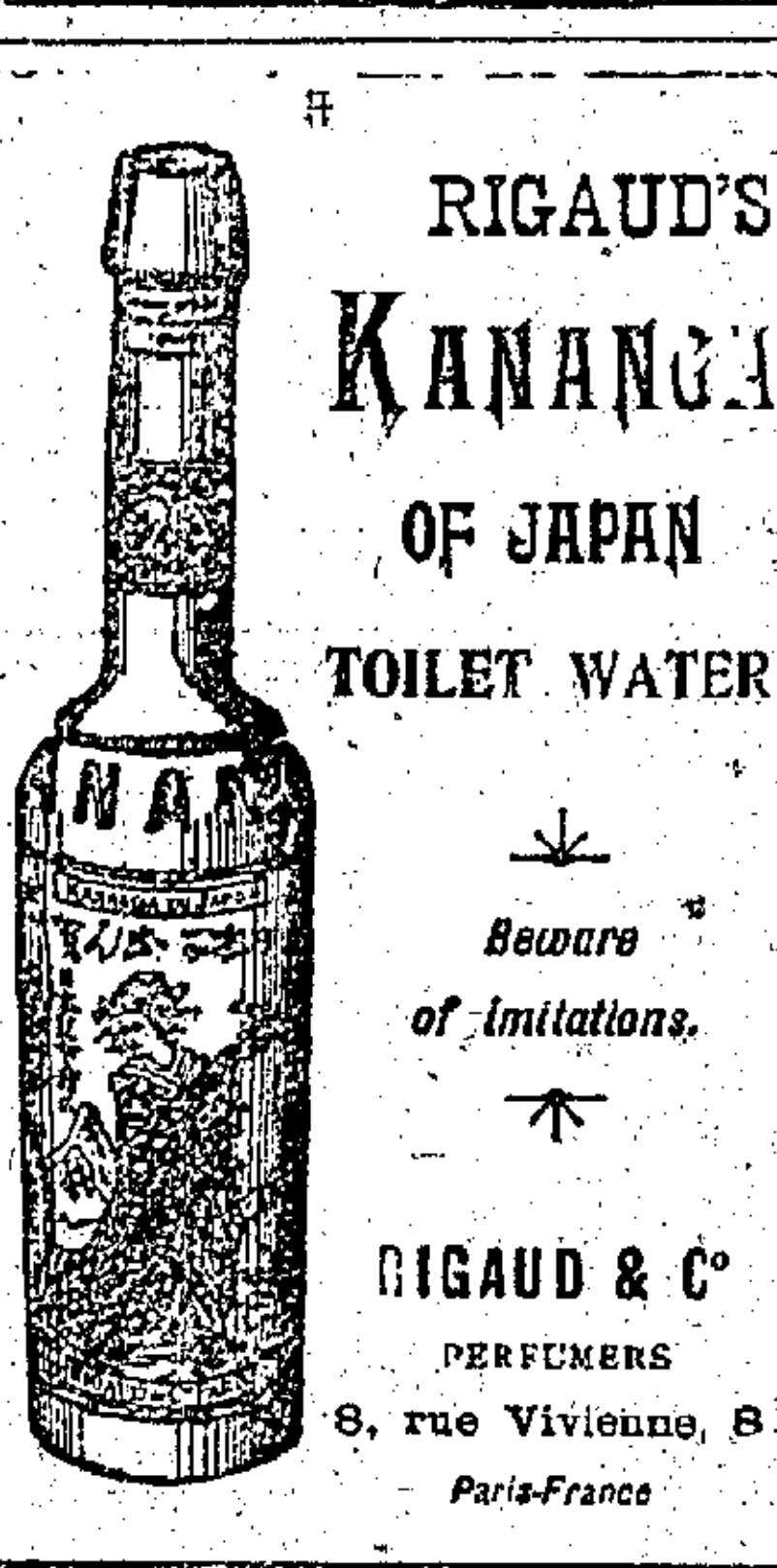
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CHAPTER VIII. FOILING A FIEND.

It was evening. The seven o'clock train from Yokohama steamed into the main station at Tokyo, and among the passengers was Guy Morton. This was not his first visit to the capital, though for the last month he had been diligently searching Yokohama and its immediate neighbourhood in hopes of finding the lost Uena, and during that time his yacht had been anchored in the port. But his quest had been in vain and he had utterly failed to discover any clue as to her whereabouts. He and the skipper had often run over to Tokyo during the day, but had always returned before nightfall. On this occasion, however, something had prompted him to spend the night in Tokyo and explore the busy quarters of the city, more particularly as he had almost abandoned all hope of finding his missing friend and in consequence had determined to sail on the morrow for China. His face looked thin and careworn, yet he walked with characteristic vigour and sprightliness and seemed keenly alert to his surroundings.

To his surprise, just as the train stopped, he saw that mysterious-looking man he had met at O-sawa spring, out of the next carriage and hasten out of the station. Wondering what he was doing in Tokyo, and having strong suspicions that his designs were sinister, Morton hurried after him, but only to find that he had disappeared among the crowd.

"I wonder if he knows where she is?" he asked himself, biting his lip with vexation and passing to look up and down the street. After vainly endeavouring to discover the direction taken by this repulsive-looking foreigner, he walked some distance along the Ginza Road and made inquiries among a group of men whose limousines and blue dungaree clothes marked them as rishia coolies. He asked whether they had seen a "long, bad-fac'd fellow."

"Ah, have see!" exclaimed a sturdy little fellow, grinning from ear to ear and pointing towards the district of Fukuagawa. "He have go huruma."

Morton jumped into his informant's vehicle and told him in "pidgin-English" to "go look see."

The man understood, and with knowing nod sprang between the shafts of his rishia and gripping them tightly near the end gave a few preliminary jerks and pulls and then trotted off in splendid style.

Onward they went through the crowded streets—over bridges of iron and wood which span the busy Sumida river; past the *yashiki* or palaces of daimyo *shoguns* and *daimios*; and past rows of shops, *honks*, *chais* and temples, all quaint and artistically ornamented with paper lanterns and sometimes lighted with electricity.

Presently the rishia man slackened his pace and paused at a point where the thoroughfares crossed one another. "Shibuya!" he cried, pointing down a side street into which people of all classes were flocking. Not understanding what he meant, Morton nodded his head in assent, and the rishia went rattling down the street and suddenly pulled up before a large semi-Europeanised theatre into and out of which poured a continuous stream of humanity. Across the top of the main entrance was a notice printed in English and Japanese which read as follows:—

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Morton remunerated and discharged the rishia man and at once entered with the crowd, but did not leave his shoes behind, like the rest of the people did. At the paying box he was faced of two men about twenty shillings, and was then allowed to pass on into the building, which was a spacious one and shorn of all adornment, save the stage, which had a very artistic drop scene and two tiers of boxes on either side. Instead of seats there were low partitions, like the sections of a beehive, over which the people climbed as they made their way into the body of the building.

The performance had been going on for some time—probably all day—and the orchestra which was hidden from view in a wooden enclosure at the side of the stage, kept up a perpetual banging and squeaking, while hawkers of steaming congee, fried fish and sticky sweetmeats clambered about among the audience and contributed to the noisome odours which pervaded the place.

Morton took up a position near the door, where he was able to obtain a good view on all sides and overlook the entire assembly. One of the officials brought him a chair for which he had to pay fifty sen, and another man "squeezed" him of twenty sen for a foot-mat, as he refused to remove his shoes. Soon after he had entered there was a flutter of excitement among the spectators and a number of partitions were quickly removed so as to make a passage to a handsomely draped box erected in the middle of the building towards which a party of Japanese grandees in European naval and military uniforms was conducted by an obsequious gentleman in evening dress who was evidently the lessee or manager of the theatre. A crash of martial music greeted these distinguished patrons, and the curtain rose amidst a great clamour of voices and instruments, revealing a couple of chairs upon which an acrobat was going through some neck-breaking antics. The stage was almost thespian in its lack of scenery and furniture, and when the tumbling performance was succeeded by a drama in three acts adapted from the famous Chin se play known as "The Golden-leafed Chrysanthemum," this deficiency was made good by pantomimic motions which seemed to be quite understood by the audience.

With stoical patience, Morton bore the strange noises and still sterner odours which were about him for nearly two hours of this amusement he gave a genuine sigh of relief when amidst a buzz of expectation the curtain slowly rose for the chief item on the programme. People stood up and assisted the orchestra in making a most infernal din as the manager courteously led the star of the evening to the middle of the stage.

At a glance Morton saw that it was Uena. His heart gave a tremendous throb of joy and he stood motionless, with his whole mind and vision riveted upon her.

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small white flowers. Never, in his estimation, had she looked more queenly or more beautiful than now as she bowed with sweet simplicity to her audience and then turned to speak a few words to some musicians grouped behind her. Indeed, she would have graced any European house; but here she looked out of place and altogether too refined and delicate for her surroundings.

The musicians on the stage, assisted by the regular orchestra, played a fantastic though not melodious prelude, and as the music became softer Uena's rich voice rose clear and powerful and filled the theatre. A sudden hush fell upon the audience and everyone listened intently to the song which, however, did not seem to be altogether of Japanese origin, though sung in that language, and there was something hauntingly weird and beautiful about it.

At the conclusion of the song a bouquet of white flowers was thrown from one of the upper boxes and fell at the feet of the singer. As she smilingly looked up to acknowledge the compliment she gave a sudden start and her whole expression changed to one of unmistakable horror and alarm. Morton followed the direction of her gaze and at once caught sight of that odorous-looking foreigner he had distrusted and had pursued from the station. He was in evening dress and stood with the tips of his long bony fingers resting upon the front of his box and his body slightly bent forward. His whole attention appeared to be concentrated upon the singer, who shrank in terror from his transfixed stare. Beside him sat a dark pompous-looking personage in the uniform of a Russian naval officer and wearing several decorations upon his breast; but he did not seem to be very interested in the young girl.

For a moment or two there was a sensational pause, during which time the audience regarded the foreigner with inquisitive resentment. Then the spell was broken by angry exclamations which proceeded from the front part of the theatre. Recovering herself with an effort, Uena bowed to her audience and quickly disappeared, leaving the bouquet where it had fallen. Then, with a fierce, defiant glare at those below, the strange foreigner seated himself and began talking excitedly to his companion.

The orchestra now struck up a lively measure and several acrobats entered and began tumbling about to the great delight of the spectators, the music growing in volume until it became almost deafening.

Feeling anxious about Uena, Morton left the building, with the intention of going round by a narrow lane to one of the back exits near the stage, where he hoped to meet her when she came out.

No one was about and the night was pitch dark, so he kept close to the wall, and with the aid of lighted matches felt his way along as best he could. Presently he came to a door which was partly open, but all was dark inside.

Not knowing whether this was the right entrance, he paused and watched. He could hear the noise of music and voices which proceeded from the stage, but the sounds were deadened by the intervening walls and partitions. Suddenly he heard a woman's sharp gasping cry close at hand. It was repeated, and there was a dull heavy thud and a muffled groan. He plunged headlong into the darkness and fell upon a short flight of stairs. Recovering his footing he mounted these and groped his way along a narrow passage. Then he saw a faint light coming through the crevices of a door which was standing ajar. Without hesitation he pushed it open and entered a moderately large apartment which had the appearance of being a dressing room. It was lighted by a single gas jet.

At a glance he saw all. Upon the floor in the centre of the room lay Uena; and bending over her, stroking her face with his claw-like hands, was that hideous-looking man, who now stood to his feet and with glaring eyes confronted him. "You fiend!" cried Morton, springing forward and dealing him a blow which sent him reeling back against the opposite partition which cracked and gave with the force of the impact. His uplifted arm struck the gas jet and the light was extinguished, leaving them in total darkness.

Morton by the throat and nearly strangled him, the long nails tearing and lacerating his flesh, and a long arm wound itself tightly about his body. He struggled, though in vain, to free himself of that vice-like grip and was forced back towards the door, his antagonist hugging him and breathing hard in his face, meanwhile jabbering like a monkey and laughing diabolically. He choked and rasped for breath and being infuriated with the agony of suffocation made a last desperate effort to overcome the monster, who seemed to be drawing all his vitality from him. Dropping on one knee he ducked his head under the man's arm and springing up forced him head back and tripped him up with the left foot. They staggered sideways and fell heavily against the left-hand partition; and, in trying to save himself from the fall Morton's assailant relaxed the hold he had upon his throat.

At that moment the partition was slidden back, admitting a stream of light and as they separated and sprang to their feet Kaisha rushed in and stood for a moment as though dumbfounded. Then with a cry of fierce rage he dashed at the guilty wretch who had caused all this trouble. With almost superhuman strength he hoisted him over his right shoulder and in spite of his struggles carried him out of the room and down the stairs and with a mighty heave sent him sprawling into the roadway.

The sound of the struggle had at first been smothered by the noise of the orchestra and the performers, but now the manager and several other men came rushing in to see what was the matter. Morton was kneeling beside Uena, who was evidently in a swoon, and Kaisha came hurrying back to render what assistance he could. Water was brought and sprinkled upon her forehead, and after a time she showed signs of returning consciousness. She opened her eyes and, seeing Morton bending over her, gave a sigh of relief and smiling faintly again closed her eyes. As far as could be seen, she had not sustained any injury beyond the shock, and this greatly relieved the minds of her two faithful protectors.

"That man velly bad!" Kaisha whispered in ominous tones to Morton, pointing with his thumb over his own shoulder and alluding to the creature he had thrown into the road. "He velly bad man; all same devil!" "You fightes he?" he added approvingly, pointing to Morton's neck and face, which were bleeding; "he have got long nail all same tiger!" "Yes, d—d long nails," agreed Morton, baring Uena's brow, while a small crowd of anxious inquirers gathered around them and looked on wonderingly.

A sudden look of fear came into Uena's face, and she glanced eagerly around; but Kaisha spoke to her soothingly and calmed her fears. Then she again noticed Morton.

"And you are here?" she said in a bewildered manner.

"Yes," he replied seriously. "I looked for you and chased to find you here."

Then, noticing that his face and neck were scratched and bleeding, she raised herself with their assistance into a sitting posture and regarded him with grave concern.

"You are hurt!" she exclaimed. "Merely a scratch!" he said with a reassuring smile; but I am thankful that you are not hurt. Can you manage to walk, do you think?" "I think so," she answered, "though I feel strangely weak, as if I had been beaten."

They helped her to rise. She seemed very feeble and nervous and leaned heavily on their arms as they gently led her out of the building and down the narrow lane to the broader thoroughfare, the manager hastening on in advance to engage rishias for them, while several of the actors brought lanterns to light the way.

On gaining the corner and emerging into the main street they met crowds of people coming from the theatre and found the manager awaiting them with three rishias. They had just assisted Uena into one of these when Morton felt a tap on the shoulder. Turning sharply round, he found himself face to face with his late antagonist, who towered over him trembling with rage and excitement and looking decidedly sulled and very much in dishabille after his recent encounter.

"We shall meet again, sir!" he vociferated, raising and shaking his clenched hand high above his head and almost daunting Morton with the ferocity of his rage. "We shall meet again!"

Kaisha would have sprang upon him had not Uena leaned forward and laid a restraining hand upon his arm. Morton found his arms and met the attack with contemptuous composure.

"You shall give me satisfaction! You shall, sir!" cried the infuriated creature, ignoring Kaisha—whose attitude bespoke his willingness to repeat the operation of throwing him into the street.

The dark man in the naval uniform now came forward and speaking quickly in Russian gently pulled his bedraggled friend away, at the same time turning to Morton.

"You will answer for this sir!" he said, shaking his white gloves which he was holding in his hand. "We shall meet again."

"When you please, sir," bowed Morton, turning to Uena to see that she was comfortable. She was very pale and excited.

"Do not be afraid," he said cheerfully, "for you are all safe. But where are you staying?"

"At the Imperial Hotel."

Kaisha now gave the rishia-man directions as to where they were to drive, and away they rattled in single file, the vehicles making too much noise to allow of any conversation.

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SHIPPING IN PORT

ARRIVALS
ARABIAN MARU, Japanese str., 2,183, Yamanaka, 21st Feb.—Mitsui 16th Feb., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
AWA MARU, Japanese str., 2,198, A. Izawa, 21st February—Seattle 18th February, Flour—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
BOONDO, German str., 1,344, F. Sembill, 14th Feb.—Sundak 8th February, General—Melchers & Co.
CARL DIEDERICHSEN, German str., 774, Chr. Jurgensen, 23rd February—Haiphong 22nd Feb., General—Jensen & Co.
CHANGHUA, British str., 1,463, E. Pinkyson, 23rd Feb.—Sydney 26th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHENAN, British str., 1,350, Lloyd Jones, 15th Feb.—Shanghai 12th February, General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHONGSHING, British str., 1,265, V.M. Liddell, 5th Feb.—Swatow 4th Feb., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHINHUA, British str., 1,348, Benson, 22nd Feb.—Shanghai 19th Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHINWANG, British str., 1,250, W. Fr. Kay, 11th Feb.—Chingwangtao 5th Feb., Coal—Butterfield & Swire.
CHITSHING, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 14th Feb.—Kwangyen 12th Feb., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHOYANG, British str., 1,434, M. Courney, 22nd Feb.—Shanghai 17th and Swatow 21st Feb., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHUNSHANG, British str., 1,418, R. Y. Andersen, 23rd Feb.—Kwangyen 21st Feb., Cement—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CLAM, British str., 2,311, White, 17th Feb.—Shanghai 15th February, Ballast—Asiatic Petroleum & Co.
DAIYA MARU, Japanese str., 1,735, Nakayama, 18th Feb.—Wakamatsu 12th Feb., Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.
DERWENT, British str., 1,562, J. Jenkins, 2nd Feb.—Saigon 29th Jan., Rice—Man Fat.
DEWANGSE, German str., 1,102, Gathomas, 21st Feb.—Bangkok via Swatow 20th Feb., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
DEUFAR, Norwegian str., 1,234, Annonson, 21st Feb.—Bangkok 10th via Swatow 20th Feb., General—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
DUPPERIN, British transport, 3,966, H. Hadfield, 22nd February—Bombay and Singapore 17th February.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British str., 3,039, H. Davison, 18th Feb.—Vancouver 27th Jan., Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.
FRI, Norwegian str., 860, N. G. Andersen, 23rd Feb.—Port Combet 20th February, Coal—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
FUKUWA MARU, Japanese str., 3,139, S. Kumawaki, 11th Feb.—Mojito 2nd Feb., Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.
HAICHING, British str., 1,267, W. C. Passmore, 22nd Feb.—Fochow 18th Feb., General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
HANYANG, British str., 1,952, Spink, 14th Feb.—Saigon 9th Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.
HELENE, German str., 771, C. Bendixen, 19th Feb.—Paihoi 15th and Hoihow 18th Feb., General—Jensen & Co.
HELYOS, Norwegian str., 860, A. Kundsøn, 15th Feb.—Natuua Island 5th Feb., Timber—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
HELLAS, German str., 2,450, Sach, 12th Feb.—Shanghai 8th Feb., General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
KEEMUN, British str., 5,866, R. Conrad, 21st Feb.—Kuching 17th Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.
KOHSHANG, German str., 1,234, Rosiefsky, 21st Feb.—Bangkok and Swatow 6th Feb., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
KOWLOON, German str., 1,459, M. Vesper, 19th February—Chinkiang 15th Feb., Rice and Groundnuts—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
KUEICHO, British str., 1,215, Forsyth, 19th Feb.—Sourabaya 9th Feb., Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
KUMCHOW, British str., 1,965, J. Martin, 15th Feb.—Saigon 10th February, General—Order.
KWELIN, British str., 1,073, C. D. Pickett, 13th Feb.—Wakamatsu 2nd Feb., Coal—Butterfield & Swire.
LOONGSANG, British str., 1,095, F. Wheeler, 21st Feb.—Manila 18th February, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MARU, German str., 1,169, Christiansen, 15th Feb.—Saigon 11th Feb., Rice and Flour—Jensen & Co.
NAMANG, British str., 2,591, P. M. B. Lake, 23rd Feb.—Kobe and Moji 16th February, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
PHEUMPHU, British str., 1,056, Jas. H. Scott, 22nd Feb.—Saigon 16th Feb., Rice and General—Wo Fat Sing.
PRERANG, German str., 1,201, Fr. von Mangelsdorf, 4th Feb.—Bangkok and Swatow 3rd Feb., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
PRORTO, Norwegian str., 838, Th. Seaberg, 5th Feb.—Daly 29th Jan., Beans—Yuen Wo Leong.
SAMSON, British str., 1,000, W. B. Brown, 2nd Feb.—Chinkiang 23rd Jan., Groundnuts—Butterfield & Swire.
SHANTUNG, German str., 1,000, H. Oltmann, 22nd Feb.—Manila 19th February, Hemp—Butterfield & Swire.
SINGAN, British str., 1,477, F. Jamieson, 21st February—Haiphong 19th Feb., Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.
SUNGKANG, British str., 997, H. Haris, 14th Feb.—Manila 10th Feb., Hemp and Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
TAMON MARU, Japanese str., 2,120, Nakayama, 9th Feb.—Mitsui 3rd Feb., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
TIENSHIN, British str., 1,227, Trowbridge, 11th Feb.—Wakamatsu 6th Feb., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
TJILWONG, Dutch str., 3,061, Bouman, 21st Feb.—Hoihow 19th Feb., General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.
TIPAYAS, Dutch str., 2,444, W. H. Lap, 15th Feb.—Mantok 7th Feb., Sugar—Java-China-Japan Lijn.
TUNOS, Norwegian str., 1,039, C. L. Halvorsen, 4th February—Daly 30th Jan., Beans—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
WONGKUI, German str., 1,115, H. Ibberson, 20th Feb.—Saigon 11th Feb., Rice and Mails—Melchers & Co.
WUHU, British str., 1,227, J. Meathrel, 2nd Feb.—Chinkiang 23rd Jan., Groundnuts—Butterfield & Swire.
YEBINO MARU, Japanese str., 2,350, T. Suroga, 19th February—Mojito 12th Feb., Coal—Osmaka Shosen Kaisha.
YINGCHOW, British str., 1,267, Frazer, 31st Jan.—Moy 30th Jan., Ballast—Butterfield & Swire.

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		WEEK DAYS.		SUNDAYS.				WEEK DAYS.		SUNDAYS.	
		1.	5.	3.	7.			2.	6.	4.	8.
KOWLOON	— Dept.	8.00 A.M.	2.30 P.M.	10.00 A.M.	3.00 P.M.	LOWU	— Dept.	9.30 A.M.	4.15 P.M.	11.30 A.M.	5.00 P.M.
HUNG HOM	— Arr.	8.4	2.34	10.4	3.4	FAN LING	— Arr.	9.36	4.21	11.36	5.6
	— Dept.	8.5	2.35	10.5	3.5		— Dept.	9.37	4.22	11.37	5.7
YAUMATI	— Arr.	8.9	2.39	10.9	3.9	TAIPO M.	— Arr.	9.46	4.31	11.46	5.16
	— Dept.	8.11	2.41	10.11	3.11		— Dept.	9.49	4.35	11.48	5.18
SHATIN	— Arr.	8.22	2.52	10.22	3.22	TAIPO	— Arr.	9.53	4.39	11.52	5.22
	— Dept.	8.23	2.53	10.23	3.23		— Dept.	10.00	4.46	12.00	5.30
TAIPO	— Arr.	8.36	3.6	10.36	3.36	SHATIN	— Arr.	10.13	4.59	12.13 P.M.	5.43
	— Dept.	8.40	3.10	10.40	3.40		— Dept.	10.14	5.00	12.14	5.44
TAIPO M.	— Arr.	8.44	3.14	10.44	3.44	YAUMATI	— Arr.	10.25	5.11	12.25	5.55
	— Dept.	8.50	3.18	10.45	3.45		— Dept.	10.27	5.13	12.27	5.57
FAN LING	— Arr.	9.1	3.29	10.56	3.56	HUNG HOM	— Arr.	10.31	5.17	12.31	6.1
	— Dept.	9.2	3.30	10.57	3.57		— Dept.	10.32	5.18	12.32	6.2
LOWU	— Arr.	9.8	3.36	11.3	4.3	KOWLOON	— Arr.	10.35	5.21	12.35	6.5

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Malayan Companies	Singapore Fraser & Co's Prices, Jan. 4	Dividends	Par value each share £1. Calls paid up are:	Malayan Companies	Singapore Fraser & Co's Prices, Jan. 4	Dividends
16/ paid	Alor-Pongso...	...	fy. paid	Malacca Ordinary...	8.25	...
2/ fy.	Anglo-Johore...	...	2/ fy.	Merlimau...	5/6	...
2/ fy.	Anglo-Malay...	1.25	50% 10	Merton Syndicate...	...	...
2/ fy.	Bakap...	...	2/ fy.	Mount Austin...	...	...
2/ fy.	Bantong...	...	2/ fy.	Narborough Est...	...	...
2/ fy.	Batu Caves...	17.10.0	70% 10	North Hummock...	...	25% '09
2/ fy.	Batu Kawan...	...	2/ fy.	Padang Jawa...	5/6	...
2/ fy.	Batu Tiga...	4.9.0	10% 10	Pandan Johore...	...	...
2/ fy.	Berangan Selangor...	...	2/ fy.	Patalang...	3.0.0	200% '10
2/ fy.	Bernam Perak...	...	3% '09	Perak (Johore)...	...	...
2/ fy.	Do. Ordinary...	...	10%	Perak...	7/6	124% '1
2/ fy.	Bidor...	...	12/6	Peneiro Est...	...	...
2/ fy.	Blands Selangor...	...	17/6	Prye...	...	10% '09
2/ fy.	Bukit Cich...	...	12/6	Ratanui...	2.0.0	...
2/ fy.	Bukit Kajang...	3.10.6	64% 10	Rennia...	...	...
2/ fy.	Bukit Mertajam...	...	2/ fy.	R. Est. of Krian...	...	...
2/ fy.	Bukit Rajah...	...	2/ fy.	R. of Johore...	...	...
2/ fy.	Bukit Selangor...	16.10.0	25% 10	Sagga...	11.15.0	50% '10
2/ fy.	Castledale...	6.2.6	74% 10	Seahfield...	7.10.0	15% '10
2/ fy.	Chanak Salak R. and Tin...	...	18%	Selangor...	3.1.6	325% '10
2/ fy.	Cheronesco...	3/6	...	Seletar Rubber...	...	...
2/ fy.	Chivot...	...	2/ fy.	Sempah...	...	...
2/ fy.	Chota Rubber...	...	2/ fy.	Sendayan...	1.10.0pm	...
2/ fy.	Cleary Ordinary...	2.3.0	100% 10	Seremban...	4.18.6	15% '10
2/ fy.	Do. Preferred...	2.3.0	102 1/2% 10	Seremban...	...	...
2/ fy.	Consol. Malay...	1.3.9	50% 10	Shelford...	3.15.6	10% '10
2/ fy.	Damansara...	7.12.6	50% 10	Signiting (N. S.)...	...	2.18.3
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Singapore Para...	...	124% '09
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Straits (Bertam)...	7/-	174% '09
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Strathmore R...	...	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Sungei Bahru...	...	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Sungei Choh...	4.10.0	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Sungei Kapar...	13/6	25% '10
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Sungei Kruit...	...	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Sungei Liang...	...	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Sungei Salak...	4.7.6	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Sungei Way...	6.5.0	124% '10
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Tangkah...	...	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Third Mile...	...	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Tremelby...	...	10% '10
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Utd. Sui Betong...	...	...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Val d'Or Est...
2/ fy.	Damansara...	...	50% 10	Vallambrosa...	1.14.0	75% '10

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CHURCH SERVICES.

Peak Church—Holy Communion 8 a.m. every Sunday.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, Quinquagesima Sunday, 25th February. Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.) Responses, Forth: Ven. Dean, W. D. W. S. art and Tule; Benedictus, Langdon; Myrrors, 202, 220 and 228; 1. rector, The Bishop of Victoria. Evensong (6.15 p.m.) Responses: Forth: P. Palma, of the 20th evening (11.1); Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis; Maundy in D; Anthem, "Send out Thy Light"; Gounod; Hymns 192 and 226; Service (Old Amen); Voluntary, Gothic Suite—B. B. W. N. B.—Psalm 118, verses 145, 146, 161, 162, 163, 176 and G. P. in union.

Union Church, Kennedy Road. Minister—Rev C. H. Hickling. 11 a.m. Worship. Hymns 408, 207, and 127, Chant, Anthem, Subj. "Free Thinking, 12 noon. Communion. 3 p.m. Warship Hymns 461, 515, 442, 133 and 276. Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Ladies' Working Party. 6 p.m. Bible Study. Thursday 9 p.m. (1) in a Club. Friday 8.15 p.m. Christian Endeavour.

Wesleyan Church, Anson—Bishop Lewis of the Methodist Episcopal Church will preach morning and evening on Sunday next, February 26th, in the Wesleyan Church, Wandui. The Service: 10 a.m. morning service, at 10.15, and at the evening at 6. An early attendance, especially in the evening, is much desired in order to secure a service.

St. Andrew's Church, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Quinquagesima Sunday, 26th February, 1911. Holy Communion at 8 a.m., Morning Service at 11 a.m., Sunday School at 2.30 p.m., in British School, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Service on Sunday—Holy Communion on 1st, 2nd and 4th days of the month at 8 a.m., on 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays at noon, Morning Prayer at 11 a.m., Evening Prayer at 6 p.m.

TIGER ATTACKS TRAINER.

THRILLING INCIDENT AT AN ENTERTAINMENT.

There was a terrifying scene in Bostock's Jungle at Sheffield, when Herr Falkendorf, the tiger trainer, was attacked by a tiger and seriously injured.

Five tigers were brought into the arena, and Herr Falkendorf proceeded to put them through their paces. He turned his back on the tigers for a moment, and was immediately attacked by one of the animals.

The attendants who were stationed round the arena promptly went to the rescue of the trainer, and after an exciting encounter, in which they made use of their firearms to cow the infuriated animals, they succeeded in driving the tigers back to their cages.

When it was possible to give attention to Herr Falkendorf, he was found to be seriously wounded and unconscious. He was at once taken to the hospital.

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If you suffer from any disease due to an impure state of the blood, from whatever cause arising, you should take the value of Clarke's Blood Mixture, the world-famed Blood Purifier and Restorer. This medicine has 40 years' reputation, and is to-day more popular than ever, the reason of this being undoubtedly because this wonderful remedy does what it promises to do—IT CURES SKIN AND BLOOD DISEASES PERMANENTLY.

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Hongkong, 14th February, 1911.



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A WELL-KNOWN PROFESSOR OF JU-JITSU, AFTER SUFFERING FROM MALARIA AND NERVOUS DISORDERS, IS CURED BY DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

One of the most able exponents of Ju-Jitsu—the Japanese art of self-defence—is Mr. W. H. Collingridge, principal of the celebrated Ju-Jitsu school at Newcastle-on-Tyne and author of that useful and interesting book "Tricks of Self-Defence."

During a recent interview Mr. Collingridge, whose portrait appears above, recounted many interesting details of Ju-Jitsu and some of his personal experiences at home and abroad.

"The value of Ju-Jitsu as a method of self-defence," said he, "is now recognised generally. In addition, it provides healthful exercise, and there was a time when I was sadly in need of strength. In 1889, I was travelling in India, and whilst at Mhow, I fell a victim to an attack of Malaria, so acute that I had to return to England to shake off the effects."

"I became subject to extreme nervous debility, was seldom free from sick headaches, and any exertion made my heart palpitate frantically, causing me to feel sick and faint."

"In spite of tonic medicine and treatments I got more and more depressed. Everything was a trouble. Almost any sudden noise made me jump and tremble violently. With terrible pains in my stomach and across my back. There was a feeling of fullness as though I had taken a heavy meal, after eating perhaps only a mouthful."

"I had to take drugs after almost every meal—pain and nausea resulted if I didn't. I lived on invalid foods and minces, but those things didn't nourish me and I continued to lose strength. So-called tonics and pick-me-ups only stimulated me for the minute and then played havoc with my nerves."

"From time to time I consulted skilful physicians. Each one told me that my trouble was Acute Nervous Debility, I persevered with whatever they prescribed, but always with the same result. I would be a little better for a day or so, and then have a relapse."

"Fortunately, however," continued Mr. Collingridge, "I happened to read about a soldier who had been cured of a similar illness by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I got a supply, and it is quite true to say that they have made a new man of me. I didn't derive much benefit at first, nor could I expect to considering the state to which I had collapsed. But with perseverance Dr. Williams' Pink Pills fairly conquered my complaint. My strength steadily returned and I soon felt fit for real exertion."

"Then my appetite grew keen: food gave me no pain, but nourished me. My nerves were wonderfully braced up, and energy was stored in my muscles by these wonderful Pills. I soon threw off all traces of debility and nervousness, was able to take up my profession again and never experienced any ill-effects whatever, even after a most strenuous round of duties in the 'Gym.'"

"All is due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I am happy to allow these particulars to be published for the benefit of others made wretched by debility and nerve disorders."

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION STEAMERS DATE OF SAILING.

SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE... "TRANQUEBAR"... About 25th February.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR MANILA, YAP, MARON, FRIEDRICH, WILHELMSHAFEN, RABAT, SAMAR, BRISBANE and SYDNEY.

STEAMERS TONS TO SAIL.

"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. LENZ, 6,000 [Saturday, 25th Feb., at 11 a.m.]

JESSELTON, KUDAT & SANDAKAN "BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMBIL, 5,050 [Tuesday, 28th Feb., at 9 a.m.]

KOBE & YOKOHAMA... "COBLENZ" Capt. H. REGENBERG, 6,750 [About 7th March.]

NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN "YORCK" Capt. J. RANDELMANN, 17,000 [Wed., 8th Mar., at Noon.]

SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE "LUTZOW" Capt. B. WILHELM, 17,300 [About 8th March.]

All the Steamers of the European Line are fitted with Wireless Telegraphic System of Telefunken.

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Steamer	Tonnage	7th SATURDAY	STEAMER	Tonnage	SATURDAY	FRIDAY
ARCADIA.....	7000	February 18	MALWA	11000	March 18	March 24
ASSAYE.....	7500	March 4	MACEDONIA 10500		April 1	April 7
MARMORA.....	10500	March 18	(Through Steamer calling at Bombay)		April 15	April 21
DEVANHA.....	8000	April 1	MOLDAVIA.....	10000	April 29	May 5
DELHI.....	8000	April 15	MONGOLIA.....	10000	May 13	May 19
ASSAIE.....	7500	April 29	MOREA.....	11000	May 27	June 2
DELTA.....	8000	May 13	MOOLTAN.....	10000	June 10	June 16

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* PALAWAN	March 22	May 9
* BORNEO	April 5	May 22
* SICILIA	April 19	June 5
* SUMATRA	May 3	June 19
* NILE	May 17	July 3
	June 14	July 31

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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, PALAWAN and YOKOHAMA	Capt. C. R. Longden, R.N.R.	About 27th Feb.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	MAKUMORA	About 3rd Mar.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via USUAL PORTS	ASSAYE, Capt. Owen Jones, R.N.R.	Noon, 4th Mar.	See Special of Call
LONDON and ANTWERP	SYRIA, Capt. D. C. Gregor, R.N.R.	About 8th Mar.	Freight and Passage.
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID			
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	Capt. W. H. S. Hall	About 10th Mar.	Freight and Passage.

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Superintendent

Hongkong, 25th February, 1911.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 25th Feb., Noon.
AMOI	"YINGCHOW"	On 25th Feb., 4 P.M.
TIENSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 25th Feb., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CANTON, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 25th Feb., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 25th Feb., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ILOILO & CEBU	"TEAN"	On 25th Feb., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ILOILO & CEBU	"KAIFONG"	On 7th Mar., 4 P.M.
TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 9th Mar., 4 P.M.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)			
	FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	...	Saturday, 25th Feb, Noon.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	...	Saturday, 25th Feb, 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"CHOYSANG"	...	Sunday, 26th Feb, 2 p.m.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	...	Saturday, 4th Mar, 2 p.m.

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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA:	FOR BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. PREUSSEN ... 27th Feb.	S.S. SPZIA ... 1st March.
S.S. REINFELDS ... 12th March	FOR ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG:
S.S. SENEGAMBIA ... 22nd March	S.S. LIBERIA ... 5th March.
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	S.S. SILESIA ... 14th March.
	FOR HAVRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG:
	S.S. PREUSSEN ... 24th March.
	FOR BREMEN, HAMBURG & ANTWERP:
	S.S. AMBRIA ... 27th March.

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STEAMSHIPS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	TUESDAY, 28th Feb., at 11 A.M.
"HAIYAN"	Capt. J. W. Evans	TUESDAY, 3rd Mar., at 11 A.M.
"HAIHING"	Capt. W. C. Passmore	TUESDAY, 7th Mar., at 11 A.M.

FOR
SWATOW AND RETURN.
(Occupying 3 Days).

"HAIYUN" ... Capt. A. H. Stewart! SUNDAY, 26th Feb., at 10 A.M.

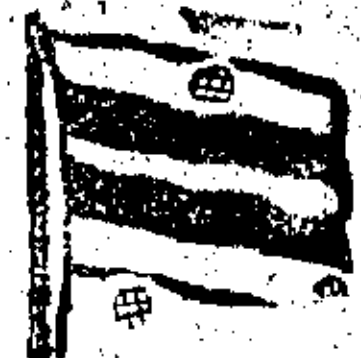
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SUEZ and PORT SAID	WAKASA MARU Capt. N. Nielsen	7,000	SUNDAY, 26th February.
	KITANO MARU Capt. E. Cope	9,000	WED'DAY, 1st March, at Daylight
	IYO MARU Capt. R. Takeda	7,000	WED'DAY, 15th March, at Daylight
	KAMAKURA MARU Capt. J. Nagao	7,000	SATURDAY, 25th Mar., from Kona
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE	AWA MARU Capt. S. Ishikawa	7,000	TUESDAY, 28th Feb., at Noon.
SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and YOKO-HAMA	INABA MARU Capt. K. Kawara	7,300	TUESDAY, 28th March, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sakine	5,000	FRIDAY, 17th Mar., at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	FRIDAY, 14th April, at Noon.
Kobe and YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO MARU Capt. E. Combes	5,000	MONDAY, 27th February.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	TANGO MARU Capt. A. Christiansen	8,000	THURSDAY, 2nd Mar., at 11 A.M.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	CEYLON MARU Capt. Fred Pyne	6,000	TUESDAY, 7th March.
	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	WED'DAY, 15th Mar., at Noon

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Steamers.	Tons.	Leave H.K.	To London, per New Steamer
KITANO	9000	1st Mar.	1st Class S Y. 550.00
IYO	7000	15th "	" " " 2nd Class S 825.00
HIRANO	9000	29th "	" " " 2nd Class S 360.00
TANGO	8000	12th April	" " " 1st Class S 540.00
KAMO	9000	26th "	" " " 1st Class S 500.00
AKI	7000	10th May	" " " 2nd Class S 750.00
MISHIMA	9000	24th "	" " " 2nd Class S 330.00

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Steamers.	Tons.	Leave H.K.	To Pacific Coast Common Points:
AWA MARU	7000	28th Feb.	1st Class S \$30
INABA	7000	28th Mar.	" " " 2nd Class S \$21
TAMBA	7000	25th April.	To London via New York: 1st Class S \$60
AWA	7000	23rd May.	via St. Lawrence: 1st Class S \$59

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS	TONS	SAILING DATES.
KOREA	15,000	FRIDAY, 10th March, at 1 P.M.
SIBERIA	15,000	FRIDAY, 24th March, at 1 P.M.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 8th April, at 1 P.M.
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 29th April, at 1 P.M.
KOREA	15,000	SATURDAY, 9th June, at 1 P.M.
SIBERIA	15,000	FRIDAY, 24th June, at 1 P.M.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 24th June, at 1 P.M.
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 15th July, at 1 P.M.

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THE P.M. S.S. "KOREA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 10th March, at 1 P.M.

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CHINA 10,200 Tons FRIDAY, 31st March, at 1 P.M.
ASIA 9,500 Tons FRIDAY, 21st April, at 1 P.M.

THE S.S. "CHINA" will leave for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, 31st March, at 1 P.M.

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STEAMER	TONS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000	H. S. Smith	FRIDAY, Mar. 17th, 1 P.M.
* CHIYO MARU	21,000	W. W. Green	FRIDAY, April 14th, 1 P.M.
* AMERICA MARU	11,000	A. G. Stevens	FRIDAY, May 5th, 1 P.M.
* TENYO MARU	21,000	E. Bent	FRIDAY, May 12th, 1 P.M.

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STEAMER	TONS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING.
BUYO MARU	10,500	K. Hashimoto	WED'DAY, April 19th, 1 P.M.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	H. Hasekuma	SATURDAY, June 17th, 1 P.M.
KIYO MARU	17,500	H. Nishi	TUESDAY, Aug. 15th, 1 P.M.

THE Steamer "BUYO MARU" will be despatched for MOJI, KOBE, YOKO-HAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO and CORONEL on WEDNESDAY, 19th April, at 1 P.M.

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via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA			
VICTORIA B.C. & TACOMA	"SEATTLE MARU"	6,182	WED'DAY, 22nd Mar., at Daylight
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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES.
ANPING & TAKAO	"YERIMO MARU"	SATURDAY 25th Feb., at Noon.
TAMBUI via SWATOW	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 26th Feb., at 10 A.M.
ANPING via SWATOW	"SOSHU MARU"	WED'DAY, 1st Mar., at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOI & FOCHOW	"BUJUN MARU"	THURSDAY, 2nd Mar., at 8 A.M.

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The Postage on Letters to the British Indian Postal agencies situated in the French Settlements in India has been reduced to 4 cents an ounce. The above-mentioned Settlements are Pondicherry, Karikal, Mahe, Yanam, Chandernagore.

The French Steamers, with the French Mail of the 27th ultimo, will leave Saigon on Friday, the 24th inst., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday morning, the 27th inst.

FOR	PER	DATE
Manila	Keemun	Saturday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Hongkong	Kowloon	Saturday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Nansang	Saturday, 25th, 11.00 A.M.
Hankow	Yunnan	Saturday, 25th, 11.00 A.M.
Amoy and Taku	Szechuan	Saturday, 25th, 11.00 A.M.
Straits and Colombo	Szechuan	Saturday, 25th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Yunnan	Saturday, 25th, 1.00 P.M.
Manila	Szechuan	Saturday, 25th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Changsha	Saturday, 25th, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Kweichow	Saturday, 25th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Yap, Maron, Friedrich Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Samarai, Hebertshole, Matupi, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Prinz Sigismund	Saturday, 25th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Hongkong	Changsha	Saturday, 25th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Changsha	Saturday, 25th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Hongkong	Changsha	Saturday, 25th, 5.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE	Changsha	Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 5.00 P.M. Letters 6.00 P.M.
Swatow	Hakka	Sunday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Daigi Maru	Sunday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.

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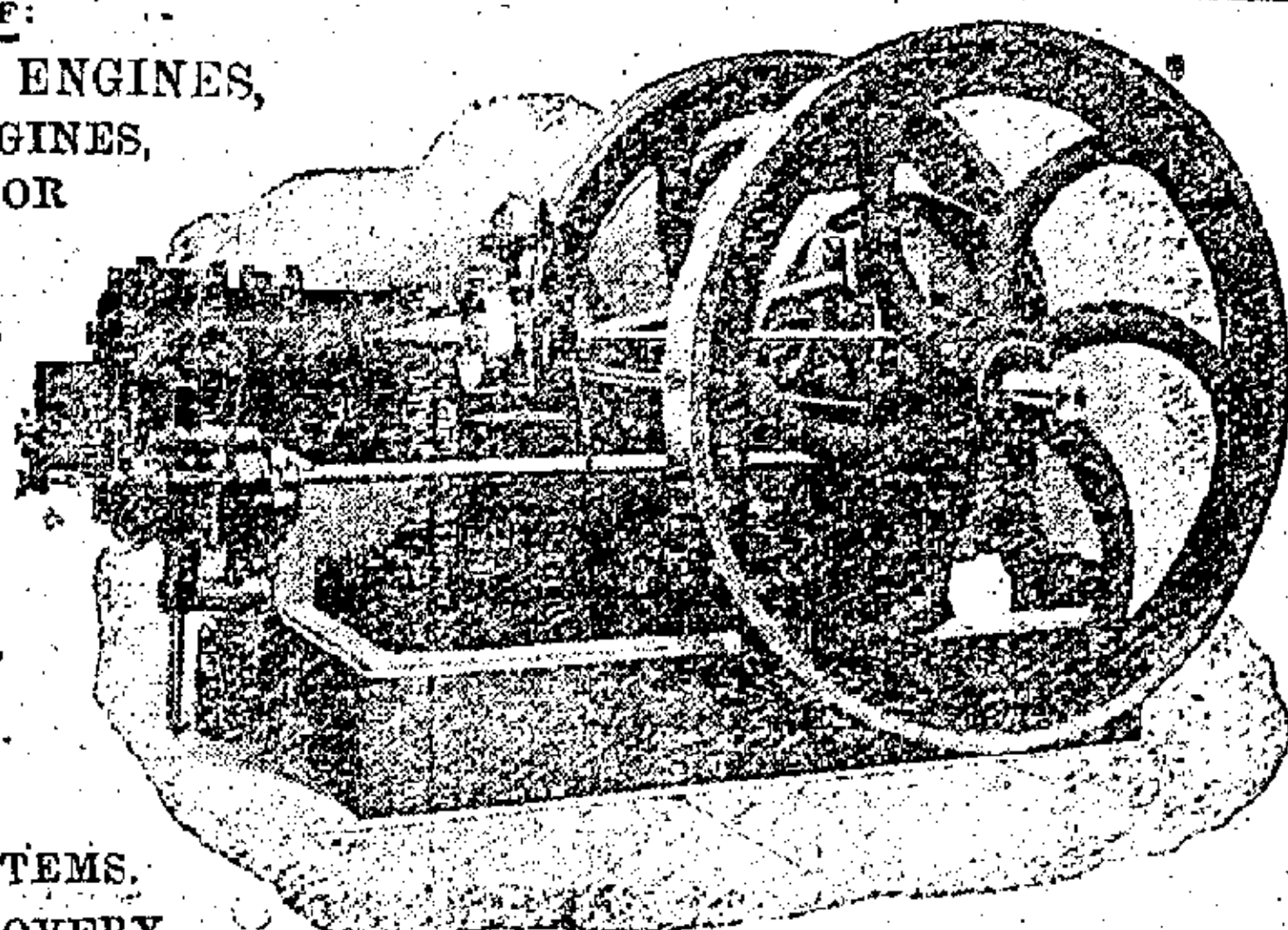
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Hongkong Observatory, February 24th.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.24	30.46	30.32	
Temperature	63	56	57	
Humidity	42	50	47	
Wind Direction	North	Cal.	N	
Force	2	0	1	
Weather	b	e	i	
Rain				
Highest open air Temperature on 23rd	66			
Lowest open air Temperature on 23rd	52			

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The Brit. str. *Hu-mun* reports: Experienced fine weather throughout trip.
The German str. *Petchaburi* reports: Strong N.E. monsoon and high sea throughout all the passage.

COMMERCIAL

EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

February 24th.	
ON LONDON:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	193
Bank Bills, on demand	193
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	193
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	193
Credits, at 4 months' sight	193
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	193
ON PARIS:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	226
Credits, at 4 months' sight	226
ON GERMANY:—	
On demand	182 1/2
ON NEW YORK:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	43 1/2
Credits, at 60 days' sight	44 1/2
ON BOMBAY:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	132 1/2
Bank, on demand	133
ON CALCUTTA:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	132 1/2
Bank, on demand	133
ON SHANGHAI:—	
Bank, at sight	74 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	75 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA:—	
On demand	87 1/2
ON MANILA:—	
On demand	87 1/2
ON SINGAPORE:—	
On demand	76 1/2
ON BATAVIA:—	
On demand	107 1/2
ON HAIPHONG:—	
On demand	14 1/2 p.m.
ON SAIGON:—	
On demand	86 1/2
ON HONGKONG:—	
On demand	86 1/2
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Hongkong, 10	\$8.38

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 24TH, 1911.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS.—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$905, sellers (\$88, buyers)
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$80, buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12 1/2	12 1/2	\$8.
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$10, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$5 ets.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$7, buyers
COTTON MILLS.—				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 85.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	19,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 51.
Lau-Kung-Mow C. Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	3,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 59.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 23.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$19 1/2, buyers
DOCK AND WHARF.—				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$55, sellers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$5 1/2	\$5 1/2	\$5, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$5 1/2	\$5 1/2	\$6.
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 57.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100.
Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$5, buyers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sellers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	\$10	\$20, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$105, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50 1/2	\$25	\$64, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$165, sales
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$18, sellers
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	\$7	\$7, buyers
INSURANCE.—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$175, sales
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$50	\$123, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83 1/2	\$50	\$87 1/2.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$365, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 152, sales
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$850, buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$205.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.—				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$10	\$100	\$95, sellers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$64, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$50	Tls. 50.
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$45, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$45, buyers
MINING.—				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fr. 250	all	\$700.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	\$1	\$1.
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$13.
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$12.
REFINERIES.—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$110, sellers
Lezon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$102, buyers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50.
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$10.
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	30,000	\$50	all	\$19.
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$15	\$15	\$50, x div. sel.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 def.	\$5	all	\$9, bu. (25.7.6.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	\$1	\$2.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$23.
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$12.
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$5, sellers
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.—				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$10, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$24, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	20,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, buyers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$12, buyers
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Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 shares	\$10	\$10	\$50.
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TO-DAY

Noon.—Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at City Hall.
12.30 p.m.—Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.
9.15 p.m.—Henry Dallas at Theatre Royal—"A Voice Trial."

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

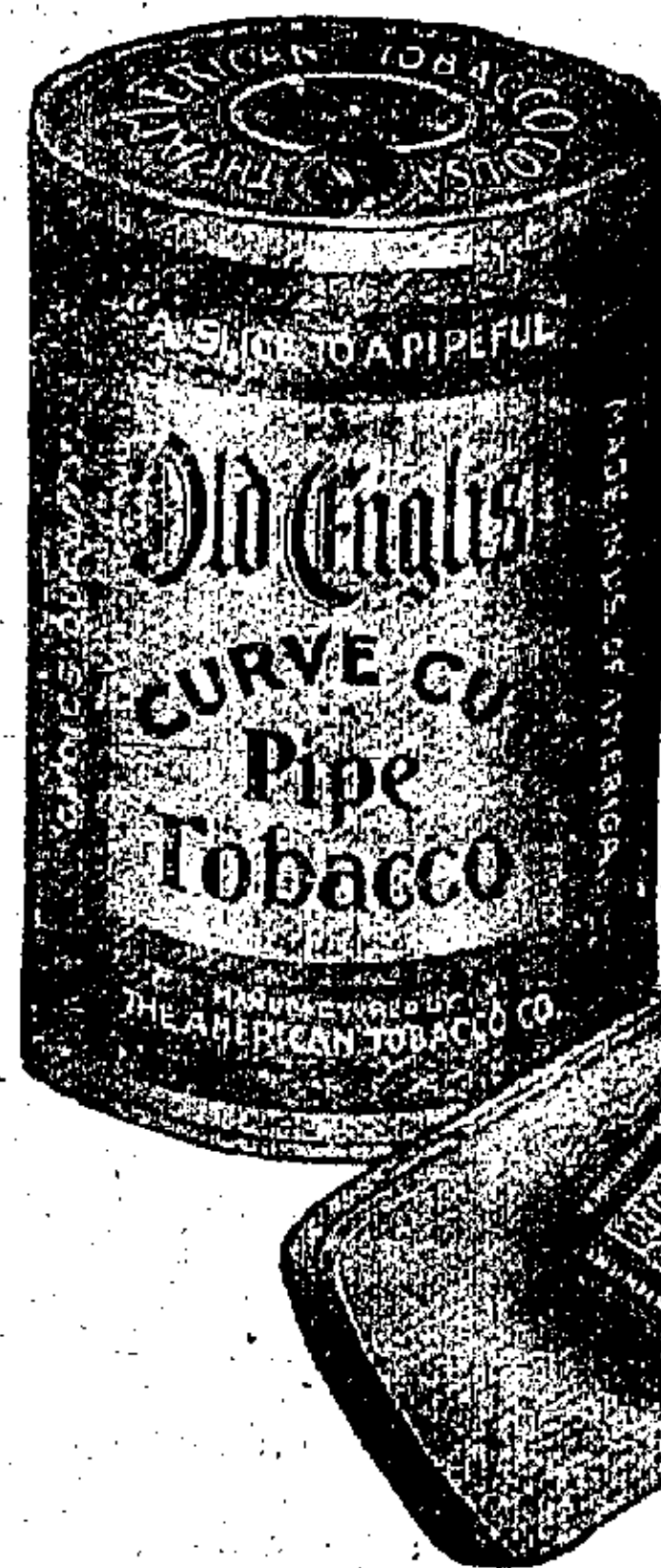
Monday, 27th Feb.—Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., Noon.
Tuesday, 28th Feb.—The Thirtieth Ordinary Meeting of Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., Noon.
Wednesday and Thursday, 1st and 2nd March.—Annual Show of Hongkong Horticultural Society in the Botanic Gardens, 2 p.m.
Saturday, 4th March.—Twenty-fourth Meeting of Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at the Office of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.
Thursday, 9th March.—Forty-second Meeting of The China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Noon.

Friday, 10th March.—Forty-second Ordinary Meeting of Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Noon.
Friday, 10th March.—Extraordinary General Meeting of Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 12.15 p.m.
Thursday, 16th March.—Thirty-third Ordinary Annual Meeting of China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Noon.
Thursday, 16th March.—Twenty-ninth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

February 23rd.—*Ajan*, *Atsugawa*, *Austria*, *Sonaki*, *Tango Maru*. 7th.—*Arabian*, *Ernest Simons*, *Nile*, *Titan*. 10th.—*Althol*, *Ernest Simons*, *Nile*, *Titan*. 14th.—*Borneo*, *Denbighshire*, *Glenstrae*. 17th.—*Aluta Maru*, *Bendalor*, *Buolow*, *Inverclyde*, *Lutnow*, *Munster Castle*. 21st.—*Acidalia*, *Bendalor*, *C. Ferdi*, *Laciez*, *Calkay*, *Flintshire*, *Kamo Maru*, *Laertes*, *Montrose*, *Polynesian*. ARRIVALS AT HOME.
February 22nd.—*Nile*.

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